A Double Uptick for Yeltsin in Sunday's Vote

Statistics Show Economic Gains

By Fred Hiatt

Washington Post Service

MOSCOW — Russia's economy has improved somewhat on the eve of a crucial referendum, but political discord threatens its fragile progress, government economists

Inflation has fallen from a monthly rate of about 25 percent to between 1S percent and 18 percent, according to figures made public-by the government Center for Economic Re-form. Contrary to widespread perceptions, production has stabilized and even risen slightly during the last nine months.

"I think one can definitely say that the economic situation is better than at any time in the past eight months," said Richard Layard, an adviser to the Russian government and professor at the London School of Economics. "But of course all this continues to depend on satisfactory developments in the political sphere."

Andrei Illarionov, a pro-reform economist at the center, said the improved statistics were jeopardized by an anti-reform trend within President Boris N. Yeltsin's cabinet. The April 25 referendum and the likelihood of presidential and parliamentary elections. of presidential and parliamentary elections later this year could spark "an arms race of budget handouts" that could again trigger near-hyperinflation, he said.

"In any situation, an electoral campaign does not provide the best situation for stabi-lizing an economy," Mr. Illarionov said, add-ing that already "the latest decisions of the government have a clear anti-reform nature."

Russians are scheduled to vote Sunday on four questions, asking whether they have confidence in Mr. Yeltsin and his economic policies and whether they favor early elections for president or parliament or both. The referendum follows months of bitter political battles between Mr. Yelusin, who has championed

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Court Overturns Congress's Ruling

By Margaret Shapiro Washinghus Post Service

MOSCOW - Russia's Constitutional Court on Wednesday gave a significant boost to President Boris N. Yeltsin's chances of winning a referendum on his leadership by striking down as unconstitutional tough con-ditions imposed by the hard-line legislature to ensure his defeat.

The court said that Mr. Yeltsin needed only a majority of the votes cast in the refer-endum on Sunday to win the vote of confidence in his presidency and a separate ques-tion of approval for his economic reforms.

The Congress of People's Deputies, bitterly opposed to Mr. Yeltsin and the move toward a free market, had declared that he needed a majority of all Russia's 107 million eligible

voters, a target so high as to be virtually

The court said the ruling would go into

effect immediately.

The ruling puts the Russian leader in a much stronger political position just four days before voters go to the polls in an election that could pave the way toward a resolution of the nation's debilitating power

struggle.

Few are predicting an unambiguous vic-tory for either side.

Clear-cut victories do not exist in politics and this referendum, too, will not bring a clear victory. Mr. Yeltsin's chief legal strategist Sergei M. Shakhrai said Wednesday.

Voters will also be asked to decide whether there should be early elections for president

and for Congress. The court said that on those two questions, the tougher threshold set by the Congress, of balf the entire electorate, would be allowed to stand.

Mr. Yeltsin's supporters cheered the court ruling, saying it was likely that he would now be able to dust off his mandate and achieve a See RUSSIA, Page 2

U.S. Will Impose **Scaled-Down Curbs** On Bidding by EC

Community Awaits Sanction Details Before Deciding on Any Retaliation

By Keith Bradsher

WASHINGTON - The United States said Wednesday that it had reached a partial agreement with the European Community in a dispute over access to government contracts but would impose some sanctions anyway because a full settlement had oot been achieved.

Mickey Kantor, the American trade repre-sentative, said the United States had agreed to erop so-called Buy American rules for the Tennessee Valley Authority and other federal electric power utilities in exchange for the European Community's elimination of Buy European rules for the \$20 billion electric utility equipment market.

But be said the United States would impose sanctions soon and without further negotiations because the Community did not agree to abandon preferences for European telephone companies in seeking public contracts. The sanctions will consist of barring European companies from bidding for certain federal con-

Mr. Kantor had originally threatened to bar the European companies from bidding on U.S. contracts worth nearly \$50 hillion a year. But European businesses have been winning only 540 million to \$50 million a year worth of these contracts. Mr. Kantor indicated Wednesday that the bar on bidding would be roughly cut in half because of the partial settlement. He refused to provide precise figures, saying the Wednesday deal had been struck too late in the day to allow time to determine them.

The contracts dispute was the first trade issue taken up by the U.S. administration under President Bill Clinton, and it has retained symbolic importance as a barometer of trans-Atlantic trade relations.

Mr. Kantor threatened trade sanctions at the start of February in a hard-line stand that drew praise from Congress. But there were also criticisms from the European Community that the United States was engaging in "unilateral bul-

lying" and risked a slide into protectionism and a trade war.

Mr. Kantor presented the partial deal as expanding trade rather than closing markets. In addition to the electric utilities deal, each country also agreed to put \$7 billion to \$13 billion worth of government service contracts, such deals for the construction of buildings, under international free-trade rules. The rules guarantee that foreign companies receive equal treat-ment for their bids with American companies.

News agencies reported earlier. It was not clear if the United States move would prompt retaliation by the Europeans. In the past. European officials have said if America goes ahead with its sanctions then the EC would retaliate, setting off a trade war.

In Strasbourg, France, Sir Leon Brittan, the chief EC negotiator, said the Community "re-serves the right to react in whatever way it sees appropriate." Sir Leon said the EC would decide on a response after it saw precisely what measures the United States would impose on European telecommunications companies. He said neither side knew how much the U.S. sanctions would cost the EC companies.

Sir Leon negotiated with Mr. Kantor by telephone. Talks on the relecommunications issue are to continue.

The EC had also been seeking greater access to government contracts at the local and state level, and Mr. Kantor said the two sides would continue to negotiate "the other outstanding

Mr. Kantor said that both sides also had agreed to remove barriers in the competition for government contracts for various services and previously uncovered manufactured goods.

Sir Leon and Mr. Kantor previously said they had more success in trying to restart world trade talks involving 107 nations. Those talks, the Uruguay Round of negoustions under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, have

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Sarajevo for a wound from mortar fire. The United Nations said that the eastern Bosnian Army negotiator said only a small portion of their arms had been surrendered. Page 2.

A woman bracing her 3-year-old son on Wednesday while he underwent treatment in town of Srebrenica had been demilitarized, with defenders having withdrawn. A Bosnian

NATO General Doubts Air Raids Will Dent Serb Resolve

By Michael R. Gordon

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - The commander of NATO forces has told Congress that while limited air strikes might be effective in reducing the Serbian shelling of Muslim towns and cities in Bosnia, it is unlikely that they would bring the Serbs to the

The administration has said that it is considering air strikes and may lift the arms embargo on the Muslim-led Bosnian government, among other measures, to help counter the Serbian attacks. The issue of air strikes has divided the administration, with Defense Secretary Les Aspin arguing their merits while

WASHINGTON - David Koresh, the lead-

er of the Branch Davidian cuit, sent two threat-

ening letters to the FBI warning of a massive explosion and vowed to use the children in the

explosion and vowed to use the children in the Texas compound as hostages to protect himself, FBI officials said Wednesday.

The FBL facing a storm of criticism and several investigations over its failed raid at Mr. Koresh's compound near Waco, Texas, took the unusual step of making seven top officials available for a background briefing with report-

The officials portrayed Mr. Koresh as a vio-

Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher has generally been opposed to the use of force.

General John M. Shalikashvili, supreme allied commander, Europe, appearing before the Senate Armed Services Commit-tee, argued that air strikes could have limited benefits.

Asked by Senator Sam Nunn, the Georgia Democrat who is chairman of the committee, if air strikes could be carried out against Serbian artillery. General Shalikashvili said "militarily, it can be done." If the goal of the air strikes was to reduce the Serbian shelling, he said, "to some degree, you can do it."

But the general, who is commander of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, questioned whether bombing could force

the Serbs to riegotiate. "Perhaps it could happen, but I doubt it," he said, adding that he thought limited air attacks would lead the Serbs to dig in their beels. Mr. Christopher also told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that air strikes could have negative consequences. such as interfering with the delivery of food and medicine to

General Shalikashvili said that arming the Bosnians would help make the contest more equal. But he also said that it would "raise the level of violence," echoing reservations voiced by Britain and France, which have said that an increased flow of arms into Bosnia could endanger UN troops delivering humani-

German Economic Crisis Is Now Feeding on Itself

HANNOVER, Germany - Germany's economy is caught in a vicious circle of reces-

sion that is widening its budget deficit and thus depressing growth prospects, data and official comments showed Wednesday,

The weak economy was highlighted by a government forecast that the federal budget deficit would use to as much as 70 billion Deutsche marks (\$44.11 hillion) this year, well beyond an earlier forecast of \$4 billion DM. In 1992, the deficit was 39 billion DM.

Among the causes of the widening of the deficit is the persistent weakness in the economy, which is causing tax revenue to decline and higher payments to unemployed workers. The government also has increased spending on Eastern Germany as part of its solidarity pact

with business and labor last month. While the deficit is expanding more rapidly than had been expected, the economy in Western Germany seems to be shrinking at a faster rate than the government predicted. Economics Minister Gunter Rexrodi said, "The decline in gross domestic product could exceed the zero growth-to-1 percent fall estimated at the beginning of the year."

Mr. Rexrodt, speaking at the annual Hannover trade fair, said the Eastern German situation was "more favorable" but a "self-supportng upswing is still not in sight.

Mr. Rexrodt, business and finance execu-tives, and union leaders discussed the bauses of the Germany recession at an economic forum sponsored by the daily Handelshlatt newspaper during the annual Hannover industry fair.

They said the current economic situation was marked by sharp declines in orders for industry and high production costs.

Tyll Necker, president of the Association of German Industry, said the economy would shrink from 1 percent to 2 percent this year.

Contrary to statements by industry leaders and economists, Mr. Necker said it was clear that Germany's recession was the result of

economic effects. Mr. Necker said there was little chance that demand from recovering foreign economies such as the United States and Britain would be

structural problems that would have long-term

sufficient to pull Germany out of recession. Instead, German government and labor must do their part to stem rising costs to industry. He proposed dropping full pay for sick days, suggesting that only 80 percent of wages should be

paid for the first 14 days of sick leave. He also said the IG Metall union had "lost all sense of proportion" by demanding that em-ployers make good on a 1991 pledge to raise East German metal workers' pay by 26 percent this year. "No one wants a strike, but a strike would be the lesser evil," be said.

Actually, the IG Metall union and employees in the state of Thuringia softened their positions on Wednesday, perhaps opening the door for a resumption of talks throughout Eastern

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lent leader of the cult who had no plans to give up. They said he was the cause of the fire on Monday, which killed 85 of his followers, in-Carl Stern, a Justice Department spokesman in See CULT, Page 3 Repression as Legacy of Timor Killings

Koresh Vowed a Conflagration, FBI Says

cluding 17 children under 10. Nine cult mem-bers survived. Mr. Koresh is believed to have

we had waited for one more day or 1S1 more days," said an FBI official, defending the bu-

reau's raid, in which tanks were used to knock down walls and tear gas was fired into the

compound's buildings.

Federal suthorities said Wednesday that they

had found about 40 bodies so far in the charred remains of the compound, including those of three people who appeared to have been shot.

The bodies in and around the compound

include those of 10 women and children, said

"He would have acted in this irrational way if

By Philip Shenon New York Times Service

DILL, indonesia - The eyes and ears of the military are everywhere in East Timor, an isolated, impoverished piece of island that was invaded and annexed by Indonesia in the 1970s.

Fighteen years after loconesian troops poured into the former-Portuguese colony, many East Timorese say it remains a place of irightening repression. The surveillance extends even to the grave-"Who are you? What do you want here?" demanded an unsmiling

young man who wandered Santa Cruz cornetery in civilian clothes but whose short, blockish haircut gave him away as a soldier in the Indonesian Army. "No photos, no photos," he warned. It was in the Santa Cruz cemetery, in November 1991, that Indonesian troops gunned down scores of demonstrators who had gathered to protest human-rights conditions in East Timor.

"We don't want more trouble in the graveyard," an Indonesian soldier said. "We want to end the troubles in East Timor." Whatever his hopes, and those of the Indonesian government.

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will ever be ended.

The government says that it has gained the upper hand over rebels who have resisted Indonesian rule since the occupation began in 1975. But international human rights groups charge that Indonesia continmes to use torture and murder to enforce its annexation of East Timor, which makes up one half of the island of Timor in the southeastern. end of the Indonesian archipelago.

threatening letters to the agency on April 9 and 10 warning of a massive explosion. They said the cult had stockpiles of weapons and enough

The officials also recounted a conversation

with Mr. Koresh on March 2, just after the gunlight in which four federal agents were killed, and said be served notice that the chil-

dren were viewed as hostages for his protection. Children are like hostages because they are too young to make decisions," Mr. Koresh was

One official repeated that he believed Mr. Koresh had continued to abuse and sexually

ammunition to carry out the threat.

quoted as telling negotiators.

"There is always fear," said Carlos Ximenes Belo, the Roman Catholic bishop of Dili, who is the spiritual leader of most of the 750,000 people of East Timor. "We lack the freedom to speak, to walk where we want, to have different opinions. If people talk, they know they will be interrogated. They will be tornired. Mr. Belo is one of the few leaders in East Timor who still dare to

speak out publicly about what many of his parishioners describe privately as brutal human-rights abuses by the Indonesian military. The abuses, they say, go far beyond the November 1991 killings, which drew international condemnation of Indonesia and led the United States and other nations to cut off millions of dollars in aid. Witnesses said that as many as 200 people died in the graveyard attack. The government officially acknowledged that at least 50 had . See TIMOR, Page 2

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A QUESTION OF GOVERNANCE — Dom Pedro Castão de Orleans e Braganza, 80, a pretender to the Brazilian throne, waving to supporters from a balcony at his home. Brazilians went to the polls on Wednesday to vote on whether to maintain the republican system or return to the monarchy that ruled in the 19th century.

Inmates End Uprising at Ohio Prison

ended an uprising Wednesday that began on April 11 and killed at least eight people. Prisoners were led out of the Southern

Ohio Correctional Facility one at a time. Officials said the whereabouts of five guards

LUCASVILLE Ohio [AP] - lomates taken hostage was not immediately known. State officials promised to review a long list of inmate complaints, including religious objections by Muslims to tuberculosis testiog and a federal law that requires the integration of prison cells.

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Mideast Talks Resume Tuesday Compiled by Ora Staff From Departhes

WASHINGTON - Arabs and Israelis will return to peace negotiations next week after a four-month suspension that has seen rising violence in the Middle East, the United States announced Wednesday. Secretary of State Warren M, Christopher

capped weeks of diplomatic effort by declaring that all the parties would resume talks on Tuesday, a week later than expected.

His announcement was made hours after the Arabs announced at a meeting in Damascus that they had agreed to rejoin the talks. The participants are Israel, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon and a Palestinian delegation that Mr. Christo-

pher said would be headed by Faisal Husseini. That represents a concession by Israel. Mr. Husseini, a prominent Palestinian from East Jerusalem, had served as an ndviser in previous rounds hut was barred from holding a seat because Israel wanted to avoid any indication that the future of its capital was subject to

negotiation. The talks broke down last December when Israel deported 415 Palestinians it accused of fomenting violence. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said Wednesday that Israel had no plans to deport more Palestinians but made clear the government did not rule out such measures in

U.S. Weighs Opening Airport in Another Bosnian City

By Stephen Engelberg

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton is seriously considering pleas to open the airport in Tuzla, an eastern Bosnian town with 200,000 refugees and food supplies for only a few days, administration officials said Wednesday.

Tuzla, one of the few remaining areas of Bosnia-Herzegovina still in Muslim hands, has been virtually cut off from food deliveries by the recent surge in fighting between Croat and Muslim forces. The main road to the city winds through what is now a battle-field in central Bosnia.

Opening the airport in Tuzla is among the least muscular of the options now being weighed this week by Mr. Clinton, but even this step has its risks and

By Chuck Sudetic

New York Times Service

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina —

Muslim forces on Wednesday com-pleted demilitarization of the east-ern Bosnian town of Srebrenica.

where Serbian attacks over the last

three months have trapped about

\$0,000 people. United Nations offi-

The demilitarization steps in-

cluded the signing of an agreement and a map outlining an eight-

square-kilometer area encompass-

ing the town, within which weap-

that Bosnian Serbian forces will

not try to overrun the area and will

allow United Nations aid workers

freer access to deliver critically

needed humanitarian aid to the people caught there. UN officials

"Having seen the map signed and the document signed a demili-tarization as defined and required

by the Geneva Convention bas heen established." said Brigadier Vere Hayes, chief of staff for the commander of the United Nations

military forces in Bosnia-Herzego-

agreement at the moment," the

been used since the cease-fire be-

gan," be added, "and I'm sure there

is no intention of using it on a

The new steps followed a cease-

fire and an agreement in principle,

reached Saturday, on the demilita-

rized zone. The UN Security Coun-

cil last week declared the area to be

under United Nations protection.

brigadier said.

demilitarized area."

"Both sides are sticking to their

The Serbian artillery has not

vina. General Philippe Morillon.

These steps have bolstered bopes

ons have been surrendered.

cials said.

Serbian troops are within several kilometers of the airport, and an airlift to Tuzla similar to the operation

Srebrenica Pacified,

United Nations Says

surrendered all their weapons in the town itself to UN peacekeepers

Wednesday, Brigadier Hayes said.

keep their arms along the line of

confrontation with the Bosnian

Serbian forces surrounding the

would not use the demilitarized

"They have given me their assur-

A combined team of Bosnian.

Bosnian Serbian and UN person-

nel inspected the demilitarized

zone Wednesday, the brigadier

"Everything that was in the de-

militarized zone has been collected and handed over to Unprofor," he

said, using the acronym for the UN Protection Force in Bosnia. A Bosnian Army negotiator at the talks Wednesday, Enver Mand-

zic. said the surrendered weapons

amounted to only a small portion

of the arms that Srebrenica's de-

"In Srebrenica itself, we didn't

have that many weapons," be said.

"All the weapons that are useful are

UN refugee-relief officials have

pushed for the evacuation of most

of Srebrenica's population, warning that a lack of proper shelter,

food, medicine and sanitation could lead to the outbreak of epi-

fenders possessed.

still outside the city."

zone for any military purposes.

said. "They have moved out."

badly damaged town.

Serbian consent or deployment of ground troops to territory. push the Serbs out of mortar range of the runways. Serbian anti-aircraft gunners on the ground would have to be persuaded, either diplomatically or by force, to accept the planes traversing their territory.

A senior administration official said Wednesday that the Pentagon had studied what would be needed to repair the runways and bring in radar and other equipment needed to handle landings by C-130 cargo planes. Military officers estimate it could take a week to prepare the airport, one of the best in Yugoslavia when the war broke out. It has been used to receive UN helicopters, but no fixed-wing aircraft. Nearly 200,000 refugees are now sheltering in Tuzla,

a city that needs an estimated 120 ions of food a day. An aid official said Wednesday that Tuzla's ware-houses have two to three days supply of food, and that for the moment the city is dependent on truck convoys that originate in Belgrade and pass through Serbian

By comparison, the United Nations is feeding an estimated 380,000 people in Sarajevo, using both truck convoys and an airlift that lands as many as 15 planeloads of food a day.

A team from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees privately urged Western nations this week to reopen the Tuzla airport, according to admin-

■ France Differs With U.S.

Sharp differences emerged Wednesday between the United States and its European allies on the question of allowing Bosnian Muslims to import arms, as France declared that such a move would intensify the conflict and mean an end to bumanitarian aid in the Balkans, Roger Cohen of the New York Times repon-

The French foreign minister, Alain Juppe, said that the eventual lifting of the UN arms embargo for the Muslim-led Bosnian government would "mean the internationalization of the conflict and a general con-flagration in the Balkans."

Mr. Juppe, who was appointed earlier this month in France's new center-right government, told Parliament that if the arms embargo was lifted, the more than 4,000 French soldiers involved in humanitarian action in Bosnia would be withdrawn immediately. His statement amounted to the most emphatic Eu-

ropean rejection to date of the idea now gaining ground within the U.S. administration of allowing Bosnian Muslims to import arms to give them the means to defend themselves against attack by Serbs.

Both President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher have recently spoken favorably of lifting the arms embargo.

WORLD BRIEFS

- Pilling China No Military Threat, Ziang Says

BELITING (AP) — China's Communist Party chief and president. Ziang Zemin, denied allegations Wednesday that his country was becom-

Ziang Zemin, denied allegations wednesday that his country was second ing n military threat in the region.

Mr. Ziang said those who spread the idea of a "China threat" had "ulterior motives," the official Xinhua press agency reported. "China is a "country which cherishes peace and will never seek hegemony." Xinhua paraphrased Mr. Ziang as saying. "Even when China is much stronger in terms of its economy, it will never seek military expansion."

Fears of Chinese military expansion have been fueled by its larger military budget and recent purchases of Russian arms, including fighter

Riots Erupt After Army Raid in Gaza

JERUSALEM (AP) — Soldiers fired Wednesday at stone-throwing Palestinians during riots that swept over Gaza Strip refugee camps after

an army operation to flush out militants.

an army operation to flush out militants.

Arab reports said that an Arab teenager was killed by army gunfire and that 44 people were wounded. The army said it knew of only five wounded and had no report of a death.

In a sweep Tuesday, troops blew up walls and several houses to force the surrender of suspected fugitives. One man was shot and killed by soldiers. In allowing Israeli news media access to the operation, the army apparently was seeking to reassure Jews it was cracking down on the militants.

Bonn Rejects Report on Neo-Nazis

BONN (Reuters) — Germany's main anti-extremist agency issued a rejection Wednesday of a Jewish investigator's contention that the country's neo-Nazi groups are far bigger than Bonn has publicly report-

The Federal Office for Protection of the Constitution said neo-Nazi leaders exaggerated the numbers of their followers. The agency, which keeps track of extremists and spies in Germany, issued a statement after televised comments from Yaron Svoray, who infiltrated neo-Nazi groups

Mr. Svoray, 38, an Israeli and the son of Holocaust survivors, said at a news conference in New York on Monday that n group called the Nationalist Front claimed 8,600 members instead of 130 as estimated by Bonn. The federal office said the group had only 50 to 60 members in November, when it was banned by Bonn in a crackdown after a firebombing by skinheads killed three Turks.

North Korean Suggests U.S. Talks

TOKYO (AFP) — High-level talks between Washington and Pyongyang would end the deadlock over the nuclear issue, Ho Jong. North
Korea's ambassador to the United Nations, said in an interview published Wednesday in Japan's Mainichi Shimbun.

North Korea withdrew from the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty last

month to avoid inspections of two facilities suspected of hiding weapons-

Mr. Ho said North Korea would return to the treaty if U.S.-South Korean joint military drills were canceled and U.S. military bases in South Korea were inspected. He added that Pyongyang also would ask that the U.S. pledge not to make nuclear attacks and to respect North Korean socialism.

Armenia and Azerbaijan Chiefs Meet

ANKARA (Reuters) — The leaders of warring Armenia and Azerbai-jan met for the first time in Ankara on Wednesday and agreed to keep talking within the framework of the Conference on Security and Cooper-

"Both sides favor continuing the talks within the framework of CSCE," the Armenian president, Levon A. Ter-Petrosyan, said after emerging from a meeting with his counterpart from Azerbaijan, Ebulfez Elcibey. Both leaders were attending the state funeral of President Turgut Ozal of

Both sides are ready for serious negotiations," Mr. Ter-Petrosyan said. There was no immediate comment from Mr. Elcibey. The meeting was arranged after diplomatic pressure from Turkish leaders, President Leonid M. Kravchuk of Ukraine and the Georgian leader, Eduard A.

Ex-Thai Leader Wins Delay in Court

BANGKOK (AFP) — A court postponed bearing a case against a former That prime minister, Anand Panyarachun, until next month, a court official said Wednesday.

The judges decided on the postponement until May 27 after Mr. Anand's lawyer petitioned the criminal court that the state, not the plaintiff, was the damaged party and that the court was unauthorized to handle the case, the official said.

Mr. Anand was charged last month by former Judge Pravit Kham-parat, who said that Mr. Anand, while serving as prime minister, had blocked his appointment to the court, causing him considerable damage. Mr. Anand, 60, served as prime minister in 1991 and '92.

For the Record

The new Paris police chief, replacing Pierre Verbrugghe, is Philippe Massoni, who vacates a position as director of Interior Minister Charles Pasqua's private office. As for the national police, Edouard Lacroix, a government prefect in Britanny, has been named to replace Bernard rasset as its director-general.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Moscow's subway system and its ornate stations were declared a ultural, historical and architectural monument Wednesday by Mayor Yuri Luzhkov. He issued new regulations banning drunks and barefont people, the use of roller skates and two-wheeled vehicles in stations, and the playing of musical instruments, radios and tape players.

Egypt has begun a campaign to aid its tourism industry, which has been damaged by Muslim extremist attacks, with a five-day exhibition in Dubai promoting Egypt as a safe holiday spot, it is seeking to attract tourists from the former Soviet Muslim republics, Eastern Europe and Japan to compensate for the loss of visitors from the West. (Reuers)

American Airlines was named the best airline in the United States in a survey of nine U.S. carriers conducted by the University of Nebraska and the Wichita State University. Southwest Airlines and United Airlines ranked second and third.

The family of a German man skain in Minmi last month sued a rental car company and hotel Tuesday, claiming negligence because they were given a marked car and were not told of a crime wave against tourists. The awsuit seeks \$10 million from Alamo Rent A Car and the Days Inn franchise in Homestead. Jorg Schell, 59, of Frankfurt, Germany, was shot and killed March 11 when he came to the aid of his wife, Souya, during a robbery attempt. They were attacked in the hotel parking lot. (AP)

Traffic safety around Buckingham Palace has been criticized in a government-sponsored study. The Royal Parks Review Group said it was astonishing that more tourists had ont been seriously injured dodging cars on the busy traffic circle outside the front gates. It recommended that part of the area be turned into a pedestrian mail.



Supporters of President Boris N. Yeltsin struggling to hold back the crowd Wednesday at a rock concert and rally at the Kremlin walls.

ECONOMY: Fragile Progress

(Continued from page 1) radical free-market reform, and his opponents in the parliament, who prefer socialism or at least a slower

Mr. Layard attributed the slowing of Russia's debilitating inflation to better control over the money supply. He lauded a recent agreement between the government and the Central Bank, which has resisted many reforms, to limit the growth of the money supply to 10 percent a month.

That agreement, be said, combined with the recent decision of

progress would be possible only if no red ink, the deficit "skyrocketthe referendum gave Mr. Yeltsin a ed" in March, he said.

mandate for a tough credit policy, which inevitably would lead to bankruptoies and unemployment,

If he loses the referendum and thus the ability to control the bud-get, inflation will be rekindled and international support again will fail to materialize, Mr. Layard said.

Mr. Illarionov acknowledged that some people would see the relatively good-news figures as "an obvious attempt at prereferendum government propaganda." But he said the production data had been verified by the more impartial State

Committee on Statistics. the world's leading industrial de-mocracies to lend or give large amounts of aid to Russia, gives Moscow the opportunity to move

Mr. Illarionov did not disguise what besaid was very bad news. He said the cabinet recently issued a new plan calling for massive subsi-Mr. Illarionov did not disguise "to a new plane," with inflation dies to industry and agriculture and falling to the government's target reversed plans to reduce subsidies of 5 percent a month by year's end. to the money-losing coal industry.

But the British economist said After two months of budgets with

RUSSIA: Ruling Helps Yeltsin (Continued from page 1)

victory that his opponents in the Congress could not assail.

Mr. Yeltsin's adversaries are also boping to use the outcome of the second referendum question, in which voters are asked whether they approve of his economic reforms, to force him to moderate or reverse his program.

Recent polls suggest that this question will have a bard time winning the backing of a majority of voters, who in the last 15 months have suffered a serious drop in living standards.

Rutskoi, who has broken bitterly at least to have less support. Mr. with Mr. Yeltsin over the reforms. Yeltsin, who was elected in 1991 continued his public assault on the for a five-year term, has lost sup-Russian leader and his team port in the last 15 months, but most Wednesday, saying they had pro-

vided only empty promises.

ing will affect the questions on ear-ly elections for president and for the Congress, Polls show overwhelming disgust for the Congress and support for new elections to the legislature. The Congress was elected for a five-year term in 1990 when the Communist Party still held power.

If the vote for early legislative elections is as lopsided as polls in-dicate, lawmakers will feel under substantial pressure to agree to new elections even if the final vote is not more than half the entire elector-

The question of an early election Vice President Alexander V. for the presidency appears, in polls people appear to believe that his election was democratic and does

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TIMOR: Legacy of Cemetery Killings Is Repression and Unfulfilled Hope

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died, but scores are still missing. The Indone-sian government jailed several of the soldiers who took part in the slaughter and insists now that the rights of the East Timorese are being fully respected. "There is not a problem in East Timor," said the military's chief spokesman. Brigadier General Syarwanhamid. "The situation is very good."

In a report last year on human-rights conditions in Indonesia, issued after the Dili massacre, the State Department said the Indonesian military and other government security forces were responsible "for numerous human rights abuses, including killings and torture of civilians" in East Timor and elsewhere.

East Timor was invaded by Indonesian troops in 1975 and annexed the next year. Although Indonesia calls East Timor its 27th province, the United Nations has never recognized Indonesian sovereignty. Nor have many East Timorese. For more than a decade after the invasion, East Timor was the scene of a vicious civil war

between the Indonesian Army and separatist guerrillas, a war that went mostly unreported in the outside world, although thousands died. Now, the Indonesian government believes it finally has the guerrillas on the run, especially with the arrest in November of the rebel leader, Josè Xanana Gusmão. The army has an-nounced plans to scale back its presence on the

Diplomats say that the Timorese separatist

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group, the Revolutionary Front for an Independeni Timor, known as Fretilin, now has fewer than 200 rebel soldiers, down from several

thousand in the 1980s. The Indonesian government is so confident of its control in East Timor that for the first time since the 1991 killings, it has begun issuing travel permits routinely to foreign reporters seeking to visit the province. They are kept under strict surveillance, bowever, and most East Timorese avoid answering their questions.

"We're going to bave peace now." said Gov-ernor Abilio José Osorio Soares, who is East Timorese but whose allegiance to Indonesia is "The soldiers here are not involved in bu-

man-rights abuses," be said. "There is no situation of the soldiers' going ton far and committing abuses. They are very well behaved."

Since government agents and informers are thought to be everywhere — in schools. in offices, even in churches - many East Timorese refuse to discuss politics with anyone outside their immediate families. The fear is evi-

about the trial of Mr. Gusmão, which began in Typically the response is a worried, almost panicked look followed by the demurral, "I don't really know" or "I don't want to talk about it.

dent when people in the streets of Dili are asked

Looking over his shoulder to make sure no one else would hear him, a high school student whispered: "We love Gusmão, but it is too

dangerous to talk about him with a foreigner." The teenager walked away hurriedly.

Mr. Soares said that "only I or 2 percent" of the public still favors independence for East Timor. The capture of Mr. Gusmão "has ended all the tension and fear," he said. "Now that Xanana is in custody, people can relax. Everything is peaceful. The outside world exaggerates the problems here."

Mr. Gusmão's lawyer said that he believed the proceedings had been fair, but he warned of trouble — he would not say what sort of trouble — if Mr. Gusmão is convicted and receives a harsh prison sentence. Government prosecutors are reported to have ruled out the death penalty. The lawyer, Sudjono, said. "The peo-ple of Timor are waiting for the decision in this

■ Further Talks Scheduled

Indonesia and Portugal agreed Wednesday to hold further talks over the disputed territory of East Timor after their foreign ministers met with the United Nations secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, Reuters reported from

Foreign Minister Ali Alatas of Indonesia and Foreign Minister José Manuel Durao Burroso of Portugal said they were still far apart on the main question of East Timor's right to selfdialogue on "confidence-building measures." Their next meeting was scheduled for Sept. 17 at the United Nations in New York.

determination, but they agreed to continue a

Washington Post Service
JOHANNESBURG — The South African

police said Wednesday that they had evidence of a rightist conspiracy in the assassination of Chris Hani, and they detained three more people, which brought to five the number of suspects or potential suspects being beld in the

"Yes, we believe there has been a conspiracy," said a police spokesman, Brigadier Frans Malherbe. He added that there might be more

The African National Congress, which has accused the police of handling the investigation with "kid gloves," had no immediate response to the developments.

Those picked up on Wednesday in a predawn sweep included Gaye Derby-Lewis, wife of the prominent Conservative Party leader Clive Derby-Lewis, who has been in custody since Saturday in connection with the April 10 murder of Mr. Hani. Mrs. Derby-Lewis, herself a prominent fig-

ure in rightist circles, is an editor of the Conser-

After ber husband's arrest but before her own, she described him as "a man whose love for his country is unparalleled" and said he had been "betrayed by a spineless government which has totally lost control." Brigadier Malherbe said the police had taken Mrs. Derby-Lewis and a total of four others

Police Detain 3 More in Killing of Hani

into custody for questioning as a result of an intensive interrogation of Mr. Derby-Lewis. Two were questioned and released. The others still being held — but ont yet charged — were Arthur Kemp, author of a sympathetic book about the Afrikaner Resistance Movement and a former reporter for The Citizen, one of the country's largest morning newspapers, and Faan Venier, a real estate agent and member of the resistance movement in the Johannesburg suburb of Boksburg, where Mr. Hani lived and

The Derby-Lewises are being detained under a special provision of the Internal Security Act that allows the police to hold suspects for 10 days without bringing charges.

The other suspect in the case, the alleged vative Party's weekly newspaper, Die Patriot. gunman, Janusz Walus, has already been

charged with murder. He is also a member of the resistance movement.

Mr. Walus and Mr. Derby-Lewis apparently met around 1985, when, during the height of civil unrest in the black townships, Mr. Derby-Lewis founded an organization called the Stalland Econded on a secondary white street lard Foundation, a pro-apartheid, white su-premacist, anti-Communist group. He recruited many East Europe immigrants, such as Mr. Walus, who had come to South Africa to flee communism. The foundation is said have links to white supremacist groups around the

Two police experts from England arrived Wednesday, and a third is due shortly from Germany, to assist the police in the Hani invesnigation. They were brought in at the request of
the African National Congress.

The arrests of the Derby-Lewises are an

embarrassment for the Conservative Party, which, while favoring the perpetuation of white privilege, has always sought to distance itself from the armed militancy of rightist paramilitary organizations such as the Afrikaner Resistance Movement. The Conservative Party is the largest opposition party in Parliament.

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Legislators Out, Lobbyists in

WASHINGTON - With its latest turn almost complete, the revolving door has deposited nearly half of recently departed legislators in lobbying jobs, according to a survey published

About 40 percent of 121 legislators who left office at the end of the 102d Congress have started or joined consulting firms "or signed on with Washington-based law firms, trade associations, interest groups and corporate lobbying offices," reported CongressDaily/A.M., a

The next most frequent occupation was education, a second career pursued by about 15 percent, the Capitol Hill newsletter said. About 10 percent of the 108 House members and 13 senators said their plans remained uncertain.

The influence tale training to the control of the influence federal legislation for one year after leaving office. They can plan the control of the control legislative strategy carried out by others and can lobby executive hranch agencies on their own.

Public interest groups have former legislators' trading on public service to get high-paying jobs trying to influence Congress. The survey results prompted Joan Claybrook, the president of Public Citizen, to renew a call for extending the one-year ban to five years.

2 Candidates in Los Angeles Mayor Runoff

LOS ANGELES - Michael Woo, a Democratic city councilman, and Richard Riordan, a Republican lawyer-investor, will meet in a June runoff election for mayor of Los Angeles after outdistancing 22 other candidates in a first-round vote on Tuesday. With more than half the ballots counted, Mr. Riordan led Mr.

Woo by 10 percentage points, 34 percent to 24 percent. If he were to be elected, Mr. Woo would become the first Asian mayor of a major city in the continental United States. Together with Lating. Asians are the fastest-growing population group in Southern California. Mr. Riordan, 62, is a venture capitalist and philanthropist whose campaign rhetoric hearkens back to a city with good schools, a sound financial foundation and neighborhoods free of gangs and graffiti.

Mr. Woo. 41, is a former an anti-war activist who applied for conscientions objector status during the Vietnam War era. He has

spent most of his adult life in government and would harness its

A Pentagon Flap on Executive-Branch Travel

resources to serve poor people and minorities.

WASHINGTON — John M. Deutch, the Pentagon's recently anointed undersecretary for acquisition, did not wait very long to test President Bill Clinton's new restrictions on executive-hranch

Barely two days after his swearing-in ceremony last week, Mr. Deutch and four other officials flew to Brussels in an air force Gulfstream jet for an annual North Atlantic Treaty Organization meeting. Mr. Deutch was scheduled to return late Tuesday from the four-day trip, which included a side visit to Bonn and cost taxpayers

roughly \$50,000.

The president's travel policy, spelled out in a Feb. 10 memo. prohibits use of government aircraft in circumstances where com-mercial airline service is "reasonably available, i.e., able to meet the traveler's departure and/or arrival requirements within a 24-hour period." Brussels and Washington are linked by a variety of daily

flights through New York and London. Mr. Clinton issued the memo in response to public anger over executive-branch perks in the Bush administration, in particular the use by John H. Sumunu, the White House chief of staff, of a military plane to attend a celebrity ski weekend in New Hampshire.

Vernon A. Guidry Jr., a Pentagon spokesman, said at least one Pentagon official - he won't say who - raised questions about the appropriateness of using military aircraft for the routine trip to Brussels. Mr. Guidry said the matter was then referred to the White House counsel's office, which approved the request for the govern-

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Dee Dee Myers, the White House press secretary, on President Clinton's problems getting his economic stimulus package adopted:
"We never thought this was going to be easy."

(AP)

Away From Politics

 About 166 gravestones at a Jewish cemetery were toppled and 25 were spray-painted with swastikas and other graffiti, said the care-taker of the cemetery in Everett, Massachusetts, Local Jewish leaders said they were shocked by the vandalism, and Mayor John McCarthy reacted angrily, saying, "It simply won't be tolerated in this city."

• An Arizona building contractor has been convicted of number for a second time in the 1976 car-bomb killing of an investigative reporter for the Arizona Republic, Max Dunlap, 63, was convicted and sentenced to death in 1977 for arranging the killing of the newspaper reporter, Don Bolles. That conviction was overturned on a technicality in 1980.

 A Wisconsin woman persuaded men to undress in her truck, then
get out and rub snow over themselves, at which point she drove away
with their clothes and money, authorities in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, said. Della Dobbs, 31, who has been dubbed the "snow queen," pleaded not guilty to three counts of theft.

• Rights for production of the RU-486 abortion pill have been granted by the French manufacturer to the Population Council, a New York-based research group, which will try to find a U.S. manufacturer for the pill.

• At least seven employees of MCA Inc. suffered wounds from bullets or broken glass when a former employee with a high-powered rifle took up a position across the street from the entertainment company's headquarters in Los Angeles and alternately pumped bullets into the 15-story building and swigged from a bottle of liquor. He surrendered to police five minutes after the shooting spree began.

 An agency created in 1988 to clean up graft in New York City school construction contracts faces a corruption scandal of its own. Two of its managers have been arrested in connection with a bid-rigging scheme, and it was learned that one of the two had been hired despite

• A lone guillian escaped with \$430,000 in each from a bank in New York City after holding an assistant manager hostage in the bank overnight and then forcing her and the manager to open the vault, law-enforcement officials said.

Reiders, AP, WP, LAT, NYT

CULT: Threat of a Conflagration

(Continued from page 1) molest the children during the 51-day siege. But they conceded that they had no hard evidence to back

The officials said they had not expected Mr. Koresh and his followers to commit an apparent mass suicide. "If I wanted to commit suicide, I would have done that long ago," they quoted Mr. Koresh

as saying during the negotiations.
The bodies of the three people who appeared to have been shot were found in the burned-out wreckage of the compound, which was destroyed in a fire that the FB1 says was set by cult members. They had died recently, Mr. Stern said, which ruled out the possibility that they were victims of the shoot-out

with agents on Feb. 28. It was not clear whether they were victims of suicide or homicide. The bodies were singed, and the head of one was "virtually hiown away," he said. One body scene had a gunshot wound in the forehead, Mr. Stern said. He left open the possibility that exploding am-

munition killed the three. Many of the 40 bodies sported by

authorities have not been removed because officials are being careful to avoid injuries from booby traps and ammunition that may still be volatile, be said. Two explosions were reported Tuesday, according to Mike Cox, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Safe-

Federal agents, whose attempt toarrest Mr. Koresh nearly two months ago started the standoff, said in court papers unsealed Tuesday that his disciples had stockpiled vast amounts of weapons for and crank up the generator and a "military-type operation" that

David would play the guitar," Mr.

Mr. Koresh warned would dwarf.

Amen said "The other brothers the Los Angeles riots.

ne Los Angeles riots. would be playing the drums and One survivor said that the cult David would be singing to the had "no plan for suicide" and that stars." the fire was started when an FBI tank spraying tear gas knocked the electric generators that the cult over a lantern. But the FBI repeat- was forced to rely on after authoried that its agents had seen cult ties cut power March 12, Mr. Amen members setting lires and said that said. fuel containers were found at the . He also said Mr. Koresh was the only person "allowed to be with the

"There's no question in our mind women," whom the cult leader that's how the fire started," claimed as his "wives." Mr. Koresh that that's how the fire started," said Jeff Jamar, an FBI agent.

as 15 wives and to have fathered (Reuters, AP) more than a dozen children.

Senate Republicans All but Kill Clinton's Jobs Bill

WASHINGTON - Republicans defeated another Democratic attempt Wednesday to end the filibuster that is blocking President Bill Clinton's jobs bill, forcing the president to decide whether to abandon the package altogether.

Senators voted, 56 to 43, to end the delaying tactics, four votes short of the 60 needed under Senate rules. Republicans are outnumbered, 57 to 43, in the chamber, but their solid opposition has all but killed the jobs bill, pushing Mr. Clinton toward what would be his first major legislative defeat. His options seemed to be a compromise that Republicans could

virtually dictate, or dropping the package. "They have the votes to do a lot of things," Senator John H. Chafee, Republican of Rhode Island, said of his Democratic opponents. "Thank goodness they don't have the votes to put through this phony stimu-

lus package."
Democratic leaders were saying little about what they would do next. But the majority leader, George J. Mitchell of Maine, promised, "It will be resolved this K. Simpson. Republican of Wyoming, did not vote.

Even while facing certain defeat in the Senate vote. the White House said Mr. Clinton was committed to getting a jobs bill. "He's not ready to give up," said Dec Dec Myers, the White House press secretary.

Asked if Mr. Clinton would settle for a simple extension of unemployment benefits, she said: "We'll have to see what conversation with leadership produces. I think the president is committed to getting as much of that package through Congress as he can. "He still believes the fundamental reasons for the

jobs package haven't changed, it's a recovery without job growth, and he will continue to press for summer obs programs, immunization and other programs that he feels are important." But Senator Dale Bumpers, Democrat of Arkansas.

conceded, "We can't overcome their votes if they decide to hang tough." "The practical alternatives," said one knowledge-

able Senate Democratic source, "are pull the bill down

Senator Richard C. Shelby of Alabama was the only to see if any small portion of it is acceptable to the Democrat to vote with the Republicans, Senator Alan Republicans or completely revise the package to accommodate their wishes."

Mr. Clinton says his plan would create jobs and spur the economy by pouring \$12.2 billion into everything from more federally backed home loans to removing asbesios from veterans facilities. It also contains \$3.2 billion more from the highway trust fund for road construction projects.

But Republicans say the measure, which Mr. Clinton would finance with horrowed money, would simply make record budget shortfalls even higher.

The Senate demonstrated on Tuesday that Mr. Clinton's package as currently constructed was all but

On a pair of test votes in which Republican ranks held firmly, the lawmakers rejected a trimmed-down Republican substitute package, 53 to 45, and then barely gave symbolic approval to Mr. Clinton's plan. 52 to 46. Four Democrats defected to vote for the Republican alternative, while five voted against the Republican support during the Easter tecess for their efforts to end the filibuster. Three earlier attempts to stop the delaying tactics also failed.

The Republican alternative would preserve just \$6 billion from the Clinton bill.

It contains \$4 billion the government will need next week for benefits for long-term jobless people. It also contains money for children's immunizations, summer jobs and other programs. While the unemployment money would come from borrowing, the rest would be financed by cutting administrative costs.

So far, Democrats have shown no willingness to finance the package with cuts elsewhere. They argue that such reductions would defeat the purpose of the package, which is aimed at pouring more money into

Should Mr. Clinton decide to abandon his bill, both parties say they would quickly approve separate legis-lation containing the money for jobless benefits. (AP_i)

Taking Steps on Environment President Overrules Bush on Rio Treaty

Controlled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton committed the United States on Wednesday to two environmental initiatives that former and its climate less hospitable President George Bush rejected last vear -an international treaty protecting plants and animals, and specific targets for reduction of greenhouse gases.

In a speech marking Earth Day a day early, Mr. Clinton said the biodiversity treaty that the United States refused to sign at last year's Earth Summit in Brazil was "criti- timetables. cally important to the future of the world

He also announced "our nation's commitment to reducing our emissions of greenhouse gases to their 1990 levels by the year 2000."

The Bush administration had steered away from specific targets, fearing that the cost to the nation's economy would be too great, and some advisers to Mr. Clinton had shied away from such targets for

States "must take the lead in adand more hostile to human life." He directed his administration to

produce "a cost-effective plan hy August that can continue the trend of reduced emissions." The Bush administration succeeded in weakening last year's international treaty on global warm-

ing to omit the specific targets and

In his first major environmental address since taking office, Mr. Clinton said he was committed to intertwining an environmental agenda with economic growth.

"For ton long we have been told we have to choose between the environment and the economy." he said. "We think you can't have a healthy economy without a healthy

environment."
In a symbolic step, he said he

But Mr. Clinton said the United example for other federal agencies in terms of environmental standards. He ordered an "energy and environmental audit and upgrade" to reduce waste and water and en-House's lighting, heating and cool: ing systems.

> On the treaty, the president said his administration had worked with industry officials to iron our their concerns about patent protection under the treaty as it was presented at the Earth Summit.

"The biodiversity treaty had some flaws and we all knew that," he said. But Mr. Bush's refusal to address those flaws, he added, "left us out of a treaty that is critically important to the future of the is

The United States was alone pro among the economic powers in re-, ate fusing to sign the biodiversity trea-, ons ty, but the pact remains open for teer signature until June.

FBI, Seeing a Gang of Hostages, Didn't Plan for Armageddon

By Daniel Goleman New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Law enforcement agencies might have avoided an Armageddon in their 51-day standoff with the Branch Davidian sect in Waco, Texas, if they had focused their attention on the fact that they were dealing with a violent sect, according to experts on

as if it were a hostage situation. By relying on basic principles of hostage negotiation, the agencies apparently ignored or minimized factors that might have told them the

Life Inside:

Rock Music,

Free Love

And Guns

WACO, Texas — Inside the doomsday cuit's besieged com-

pound, there were rock and roll jam

sessions powered by emergency

generators, guns lying around with-in reach of children, and free love for the leader, David Koresh.

Jesse Amen, who spent more than a week inside the Branch Da-

vidians' compound after racing

past federal agents to join Mr. Kor-esh, said the cult leader welcomed a

violent showdown as the standoff

on," Mr. Amen said in a telephone

interview. "He said. 'We are ready, if they want to fire."

cache of weapons were kept handy in case agents tried to storm the place, Mr. Amen said. "The guns were just lying around," be said. He added that children were often in

the same room with the weapons.

Mr. Amen, described by the FBI

as a religious fanatic, joined Mr. Koresh on March 26. He left the

compound April 4 and has been jailed on a charge of interfering

Mr. Koresh, 33, was known

star and even wrote a song called

The performances would drain

was believed to have had as many

with a law officer.

Guns from a reported \$200,000

"David repeatedly said, 'Bring it

they held an ideology that glorified armed confrontation. The very process that draws peo-

ple into the web of a violent sect

NEWS ANALYSIS

Hillary Rodham Clinton embracing a volunteer at a ceremony to mark National Youth Service Week.

like the Branch Davidians, said psychologists who study such cults, Instead, the FBI and others in-volved in the ordeal approached it ion with the outside would serve to sobdify bonds within the group, rather than divide them as is the

WASHINGTON — Contradicting the director of the FBI, the White House insisted Wednesday that it had "mountains of evidence" that children

were being abused by David Koresh.

The White House communications director.

George Stephanopoulos, played down suggestions that there was a dispute between William S. Ses-

sions, the FBI director, and Attorney General

Janet Reno over Ms. Reno's assertion that child

abuse was an important factor in deciding to end

In a press briefing on the planning for the Monday assault, Mr. Sessions and other senior

FBf officials said there was "no contemporaneous information" of child abuse to justify the assault, although they said the department had older evi-

dence that some children may have been abused by

Of Ms. Reno's comments about child abuse, Mr.

Sessions stated, "I do not know what the attorney

"What the FBI director said, was that he had no contemporaneous information," Mr. Stephanopou-los said Wednesday on CBS television. "What he

means is, he didn't have specific information that

David Koresh was ahusing the kids on Saturday night or Sunday morning or anything like that." "But we have mountains of evidence that there

was child abuse going on in that compound over a long period of time," Mr. Stephanopoulos said. "It

general was referring to specifically."

cluding the fact that the sect mem- siege. One said he had been conbers were there by choice and that sulted for his expertise on hostage negotiations, rather than for cults.

Another, Margaret Singer, formerly of the University of Califor-nia at Berkeley, said she was surprised that no one from any of the agencies involved had called her "or any of the half-dozen other sor Singer, a psychologist who has not bave risked bloodshed. ogy of cults, said she had often served as a consultant with the Justice Department or the FBI on specific investigations.

Mike Korten, a spokesman for

White House and FBI Are at Odds

On Allegations of Cult Child Abuse

had had extensive experience dealing with cults. He declined to give the name of anyone who might have served as a consultant.

The experts acknowledged that it was easy to second-guess the FBI, and none could offer an alternative strategy that officials might have major authorities on cults." Profes- used to end the standoff that would

Even so, they said, a violent confrontation with a group like the one in Waco heightened the probability of loss of life because it fulfilled the besieged group's belief that evil forces were against them, and that

is very, very clear that those children were being

abused, that they were being held against their will."

"Protecting the kids was the ultimate rationale for going in," Mr. Stephanopoulos said.

Ms. Reno had said her fears about recent reports

of child abuse were prominent among the factors driving the timing and tactics of the operation.

President Bill Clinton said Tuesday that Ms.

Reno had emphasized the threat of child ahuse in

seeking his approval for her plan to fire tear gas

"We did everything we could to avoid the loss of life," the president said. "They made the decision to immolate themselves, and I regret it terribly, and I feel awful about the children. But in the end,

the last comment I had from Janet Reno is when I

why you believe - not why they believe - why

you believe we should move now rather than wait

some more. And she said it's because of the children. They have evidence that those children are still being abused, and that they're in increas-

ingly unsafe conditions, and that they don't think

Later, Ms. Reno's spokesman backed away from charges of recent child abuse, saying, along with Mr. Sessions and other FBI officials, that the

decision to attack was the result of a broad mix of

(AP, NYT, WP)

"I said, 'Now, I want you to tell me once more

-and I talked to her on Sunday.

it will get any easier with time."

Armageddon. The emotional glue that binds members of a sect to a leader like David Koresh demands a constant

ty of California at San Francisco. The crucial moment that heads a cult down the road to violence, he shared paranoia of outsiders," said, occurs when the leader proelaims that the group must protect itself against evil forces in the out-

side world, and develops an armed security squad. "Once this happens," Mr. Hatcher said, "there is an increasng mood of militancy in the group. If the leader does not reflect that mood, he'll lose control. That happened in 1987, with Koresh proving more aggressive than his rival

for power. Mr. Hatcher was referring to incidents in 1987 that culminated with Mr. Koresh's winning a battle for leadership of the Branch Davi-

That urge for violence is part of an addictive excitement in which the cult leader "puts tremendous energy into heightening the person-al melodrama for each member," Mr. Hatcher said. "One way Koresh did this was hy shifting the rules, changing his direction and ideology, keeping his people off balance through a shifting set of

demands and pressures." Marc Galanter of New York University Medical School has studied more than 2,000 cult memhers in interviews and questionnaires. He found that the pull of membership in general is that it belonging. "The people who are er than a tragedy."

approach was unlikely to work, in-cluding the fact that the sect mem-siege. One said he had been con-siege. One said he had been con-siege. One said he had been con-agency's behavior science division. Armageddon. and friendship in the group."

In answers to his questionnaire, Mr. Galanter found that even after. excitement that can easily take a a year or two in a cult, those who violent turn, said Chris Hatcher, a reported the greatest sense of be-police psychologist at the Universilonging were also those who feltmost suspicious of people outside the cult. "They're bonded by a

isolated group such as the Branch Davidians, he said, is enhanced by rules forbidding members to read newspapers or watch television, for example.

"The only source of information becomes what the leader tells you."
Mr. Galanter said. "They have to rebull any external reality that would undermine their beliefs. Then, if outsiders actually appear to threaten the group, it bonds them more closely and validates their view that it's better to die together than to submit to evil outside forces."

As Mr. Hatcher and others noted, the Waco operation went according to the basic principles of hostage negotiation. But in this case those principles did not apply

very well. "The premise of hostage negotia-tion is that there is something to negoriate," said Richard Ofshe, a sociologist at the University of California at Berkeley. "Here there was nothing to negotiate — everyone would be arrested if they left and no hostages."

Beyond that, Mr. Ofshe said, the ideology that Mr. Koresh used to control his group, that he was a messiah, "was also one that saw a provides a sense of excitement and fire of Armageddon as a glory rath-

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Fifty-seven percent of those polled said the FBI did not act fast enough, while 13 percent said it acted too soon and 25 percent said

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Herald Tribune.

Is Milosevic Listening?

The world has cried wolf so many times about what will happen if Serbian forces continue to slaughter Bosnian civilians that Serbian leaders may have concluded that wolves are now extinct in their part of the forest. That could prove a catastrophic mistake. What Slobodan Milosevic and his Bosnian allies may not yet grasp is that American and international political opinion has shifted in just the past few days, spurred by hrazen Serbian defiance of United Nations cease-fires and diplomacy and fresh outrages against civilians in Srehrenica. The Clinton administration and its European allies are being driven, almost despite themselves, to contemplate military action to save Bosnian lives. This week could be Serbia's last chance to stay their hand.

To do so. Belgrade and its Bosnian Serh allies will have to honor the Bosnia-wide cease-fire that they signed and ignored three weeks ago. And they will have to retorn to the bargaining table prepared, for once, to negotiate in good faith. Otherwise, with Russia's referendum campaign no longer an inhibiting factor after this Sunday, the tide of opinion now running may sweep NATO toward air strikes against Serbian artillery and supply lines.

Last weekend the UN Security Council took the last available nonmilitary steps hy tightening the economic emhargo on Serbia and Montenegro, the two states that now make up Yugoslavia. It nearly went further. Driven by an extraordinary united front of smaller countries, the council demanded that the area around

Washington and its allies used similar lan-guage when they moved, under broad cover of UN authority, to chase the Iraqi army out of Kurdish areas two years ago.

Despite Serbia's blatant contempt for world opinion and its refusal to be moved by either sanctions or diplomacy, Washington, London and Paris have been reluctant to use force for fear of negative political reaction at home. With the agony of towns like Srebrenica playing out in the world's living rooms, the political climate has begun to change. Opinion leaders like Margaret Thatcher, David Owen and Senators George Mitchell and Robert Dole now publicly urge a tougher stand. Senator Joseph Biden, after a trip to Sarajevo, has been urging the Clinton administration to act. Even Moscow, worried as it is about a Russian nanonalist reaction, did not oppose the latest Security Council resolutions. After the Russian referendum, whatever its outcome, Washington and other Western governments could find the case for force irresisuble.

Serbian leaders may find it hard to be lieve that the world is at last getting serious about their long-running "ethnic cleansing" assault against Bosnia. Warlords like Mr. Milosevic have contempt for democracies and their deliberative processes, believing them to be congenitally unable in respond forcefully, no matter what the provocation. That mistake eventually tripped up Hitler and confounded Saddam Hussein. Will Mr. Milosevie prove any less suicidal?

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Revolution in Italy

Italy has now launched itself into a political revolution, genuine and profound. In the referendum this week the Italian voters have started a cascade of changes that, over a period of months and perhaps years, will transform the country's parties under new leaders chosen under radically different rules. Italy has suffered too many years of ingrown and selerotic government has per-ple mainly preoccupied with party intrigue

and fund raising. That is now ending.

The sweep of the referendum reflected real rage among voters and taxpavers. Several of the many questions urged the abolition of whole ministries of the national government. Some pushed privatization and stronger environmental protection. But the key question, the one that has truly put the fox into the chicken house, changes the method by which most of the Senate is elected. Having passed with an enormous majority, it creates irresistible momentum for similar elections to the more powerful Chamber of Deputies. The present Italian system of proportional representation gives. inordinate power to the party organizations. Going to American-style elections with single-member districts will break the parties' lock on the political process. The overthrow of the old regime is com-

monly explained by the public revulsion at the widening scandals and revelations of corruption during the past year, but there is more to it than that. The Italian revolution is the latest in the series of upheavals that began in Poland in early 1989 and with the opening of the Berlin Wall later that year. Italians tolerated misgovernment in silence as long as the alternative was the Communist Party, with its disquieting links to the Soviet Union. But once the Soviet Union and the Communist Party no longer existed, the prosecutors began to get to work,

Like all revolutions, this one is going to be tumultuous and chaotic. For a while ftalian politics is likely to be wholly absorbed in the reorganization of its internal life, with little attention to spare for foreign policy, trade negotiations or post-Soviet security agreements - the things that Americans, and some of the other Europeans, want to talk about. But in truth the old regime bas not for many years had much to contribute on those kinds of subjects.

No one knows exactly what comes next for Italians. But at last they have a real chance to construct the kind of government required by the advanced industrial society that in the past four decades ftaly has become.

- THE WASHINGTON POST

Bungling in Waco

The clumsiness and disarray demonstrat-ed in the government attack on a cultist compound walls before pumping tear gas compound in the beart of Texas cannot be papered over by Attorney General Janet Reno's willingness to take the blame. She bas worked the television shows to take "full responsibility," and on Tuesday President Bill Clinton said that rather than trying to distance himself, he, too, took responsibility for the day of bad judgment on the Texas plains. Stopping the buck is always commendable, yet it cannot be foisted on the public as n substitute for analysis, self-criticism and true accountability.

This appears to be a case where FBI officials, reluctant to rotate a new force of agents and support staff to monitor a stalemate, decided to push it to a conclusion. A very green attorney general approved their plan. So did President Clinton, after a 15-minute talk which, had it been conducted by Ronald Reagan, would have been criticized as disengaged.

Failing to raise objections and ask mestions is not a definition of presidential leadership. Did Mr. Clinton or his staff think to ask Ms. Reno if anyone had reviewed what happened in the police attack on the radical group MOVE in Philadelphia in 1985? What is needed now is a searching inquiry into where things went wrong - both up. and down the line from the attorney general. An even more basic need is for the Justice Department to get organized.

Where was the reputedly astute Webster Hubbell, haison to the White House and nominee for associate attorney general, whose antennae were thought to offer protection from such disasters? What was William Sessions, the lame-duck FBI director. up to while his agents masterminded the fiasco? He said on Tuesday that be had been involved "from the very beginning." If so, that seems clinching evidence that the bu-rean needs stronger leadership, immediately. President Clinton's call for internal in-

vestigation and cooperation with congressional inquiries is in order, as is his argument that the primary evil was done by David Koresh, the cult leader. The government's mistake was triggering his mad act. The president insists that Ms. Reno's job is secure, but hindsight seems not to have enlightened her. She seems not to appreciate the impact of the operation she ap-proved. She may not have considered it to

inside. What must that have seemed to Mr.

Koresh and his followers? What her account shows is that it was law enforcement officials, not the besieged cultists, who tired and lost patience, squandering their advantage in weaponry, logistics and time. Investigators need to determine whether the high cost of maintaining the

siege was a factor in official impatience. Stronger managers might have directed that the federal rescue forces take a rest, replaced by temporary military support if necessary, or might have found ways to reduce the number of agents needed. They might have ensured that the FBI continued to make full use of all its hostage training, and pushed harder to persuade the cultists

through relatives and friends outside. The siege was born of a bungled Treasury Department raid that cost the lives of four agents. It was transferred to an FBI that is not sure who its director will be tomorrow, who reports to an attorney general whose leadership team is only half-picked. Waco has become a personal disaster for Janet Reno and, until she can organize Justice, a symbol of continuing danger for everyone. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

Waco: Now the Postmortem

Were Monday's fatalities unavoidable? That question will be devil the astion in the weeks ahead. The postmortem may not be

either polite or pretty.

Most Americans are uncomfortable but can coexist with most cults. But the Branch Davidians are not like most cults, and the David Koreshes of the world are a rarity. Most religious cults do not stockpile weapons, menace their neighbors and threaten mass suicide/murder. The question is how to deal with them.

While federal authorities believe they did the right thing, the death toll in the bad beginning and worse ending of this tragedy should impel a search for other strategies when groups that do not conform to the norm decide to confront society in unacceptable ways.

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OPINION

For a World Conference on the Balkans

Par Port Park of the LD High Commission

Ron Redmont, of the UN High Commission for Refugees in Geneva, says that "we want a resolve that there won't be a repeat of Srehrenica" in Zepa and Goradze, other Bosnian centers swollen with refugees from surrounding areas. "We're denied access. We can't shoot our

The United Nations just isn't able to handle the problems involved.

way in." But 45 tons of privately donated medical supplies have been sitting in a Venice ware-house since April 15.

I heard about it because I was planning in accept an invitation to fly to Tuzla with the supplies last week. The complications are an example of bow United Nations hureaucracy, example of low United Nations indicatoracy, aid agency rivalries, diplomatic pride, home politics, and the suspicions and duplicities of combatants are frustrating even plainly humanitarian gestures for civilians caught in an inferno of hatred and righteousness.

The American charitable organization Ameri-Cares collected the medicine, according to a World Health Organization list of what was needed, chartered a plane and got it as far as Venice, where a smaller plane was to ferry the cargo to Tuzla. Air Polis, a private charter line in Russia, agreed to send an Antonov 26 from Moscow to do the job.

The Tuzla airport, within artillery range of Serbian forces, is not open and bas no functionBy Flora Lewis

ing ground controls. But Steve Johnson of AmeriCares said a representative who got in on April 14 in a British belicopter walked the runway and found it usable. The Russian crew

was prepared to take the risk.

But the stalians would not let the Russian plane land unless it had clearance for the flight into Bosnia. The Croatian and Bosnian governments, whose territory would be overflown, agreed, according to Mr. Johnson. UN refugee officials said they could reach Tuzia only by helicopter in n low-altitude, zigzag-agreed corridor, but they would not object if somebody else's plane wanted to take the chance. else's plane wanted to take the chance.

NATO, enforcing the no-flight zone, did not object. But the UN protection force said "no" without "negotiated approval of all parties to the conflict." That meant asking the Bosman Serb leader Radovan Karadzic, who refused, saying that Muslim forces might shoot down the plane and blame Serbs.

The UN refugee agency offered to take the medicine in by a truck convoy from Belgrade, in Serbia, since fighting between Serbs and Muslims in western Bosnia has closed the preferable route from Split, on the Croatian coast. Ameri-Cares said "no," because 20 to 50 percent of supplies sent in by land are extorted as "tolls" at checkpoints along the way.

So the shipment, as I write, remains in Venice, and the dying and wounded lack medicine and anesthesia. This is only one incident. It is part of a vast pattern in which good intentions and self-protective interests clash and foil the

most basic buman needs.

Last year, Sadako Ogata, head of the refugee agency, told an international group how she

agonized at her task because taking refugees out of danger meant "you are an accomplice to murder." The problem remains.

Local officials in Srebrenica sent the last relief convoy back to Tuzia empty, refusing to let any more of its terrified occupants to leave. There are 20,000 refugees crammed into the town, alongside the normal 8,000 residents. Tuzia, with a prewar population of 130,000, now has 230,000, with more flooding in and a serious possibility of becoming another tran from which people will becoming another trap from which people will have to be extricated in the worst conditions.

The UN Security Council has decided to tighten sanctions on Serbia on April 26, the day after Russia's referendum. Nobody supposes that this will bring a real armistice.

Vitali Churkin, Russian deputy foreign min-ister, says the world will have to decide if it wants war, and be ready to fight, or diplomacy. "Full-scale war in the Balkans would provoke an enormous earthquake in Russia and we could just forget any idea of democratic development," be warned, probably correctly.

The United Nations just isn't able to bandle the range of problems involved, due to its structure, its hureaucracy, its niggling mandates, its habits, no matter bow hard individual officials and soldiers try. Lady Thatcher says, also correctly, "This is evil." But she does not say what force she would use. Whose? Where?

It should be quite clear by now that this is not a Yugoslav problem. It is a Balkan and European problem turning into a world problem. It is urgent to propose a Balkan security regime, in a great international conference, and within that context no doubt force will have to be used. Without a framework for accord in the whole region, force will splatter and spread and millions more people will be burt. O Flora Levois.

Italians Might Yet Fashion A Republic That Works By William Pfaff PARIS — What is happening in Italy has been called a post-

modernist revolution. This makes good sense if you say that modern times began with the French Revolution; since then, revolution has meant barricades and the masses of people in the streets. That is the opposite of

what is going on in ftaly, In ftaly the revolution has come from outrage inside the structure of

A start has been made. and it is a solid one.

the state itself, powerfully sustained by popular opinion and the press. The revolution was waiting to explode. That has been clear for years. There has been seething popular re-sentment at misrule by the political parties, and at the power of the Ma-fia, but this could find no satisfaction

in the existing electoral system. At last the system has burst. The corps of magistrates (like district at-torneys in the United States, but po-litically independent) touched off the explosion. They discovered a banal case of political corruption in Milan which, tugged at like a tangle of string, drew one case after another, bigger and bigger. It led from money to power to crime, until finally - if

T OKYO - Japan should not be taken in by recent attempts of

Burma's military junta to project a

friendlier face of fascism. After Burmese troops killed thousands of

unarmed pro-democracy demon-strators in 1988, the Japanese gov-

ernment suspended aid programs to

Burma worth nearly \$260 million.

In doing so, it joined other donor

nations seeking to isolate the ruling State Law and Order Restoration

Since mid-1992, the state council

has made a series of gestures de-signed to reassure critics that it is on the road to reform, but these

concessions are minor and cosmet-

ic. The junta continues to refuse to seat the representatives elected to

Council in Rangoon.

the allegations against the most pow-erful political figure in Italy, former Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, prove to be true — revealing Mafia domination of the government itself, and the assassination of a leading figure of state, the former president of the Christian Democratic Party, Aldo Moro, supposedly on Mr. Andreotti's own orders.

The discovery of conspiracy and crime of this unimaginable immensi-ty has left the Italians with no choice but to start over, with new institutions and new parties — in fact, to reconstruct the republic itself, so as to make a Second Italian Republic. All of this, of course, is much harder to do

than beginning the revolution itself.

In a referendum on Sunday and
Monday, the effort was well begun;
Italians voted overwhelmingly "yes" for a series of reforms. The measures voted are limited in effect, but the expression of voter intent was massive. The principal change will end propor-tional representation in the election of three-quarters of the Senate, and was voted by an 83 percent majority. This makes it morally incumbent on the lower house of Parliament — the powerful one, in the Italian system - to end or severely limit the proportional method in its own election.

The evil of the proportional system is first that it maximizes the influence

A Burmese Test Case for Japanese Aid

By Jeff Kingston

the People's Assembly in 1990,

when the opposition National League for Democracy won more

than 80 percent of the vote. Daw

Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of the

pro-democracy forces and the 1991 Nobel Peace Prize laureate, remains

Tomoya Kawamura, the Japa-

nese ambassador in Rangoon, has expressed guarded optimism about

recent political trends. It may well

be that the Burmese regime is trying

to do just enough so that Japan can

justify a resumption of pre-crack-down aid levels.

But Tokyo should bear in mind

under house arrest.



By HAGEN in Verdens Gang (Oslo). CAW Syndicate.

of marginal political groups (hence the paralyzing power of the religious parties in Israel, which has a pure proportional system). It also institutionalizes responsibility, since no individual politician is accountable to the public. The public votes for the party, and the party nominates and controls the politicians. So the parties run the country, not the government.

The new senators will be elected by - or its French variation, which has a second runoff vote among the leading candidates when the first-round

vote is not decisive - is proposed for the Chamber of Deputies.

The urgent need is to elect a new chamber, since the present members are largely discredited. The question is whether to go to the voters immediately, even if the existing voting system has to be used for the lower house, or whether there should be a delay long enough to put through a new electoral law. There is concern in the latter case ways to disarm the impact of a changed voting system.

The danger is not negligible. The interests at stake in the revolution are enormous. If it is true, as alleged, that the Mafia not only has profited from corruption at every level of pobical and economic life in Italy but has been linked to the highest political offices, it is obvious that it will make an extreme effort to contain, and if possible reverse, the damage that has been done to its power over Italian public life and

business and industry.

The Italian historian and former diplomat Sergio Romano compares what is happening today to the events of July 1943, when the Fascist regime was overturned. Now, as then, no one can be sure what will come next. A changed electoral system, certainly. But after that? In 1943 and after, the Mafia's power — which Mussolini bad broken - was restored. The fear of communism caused Italians to vote for a conservative coalition government, the first in the series that have governed the country ever since.

The fundamental problem of separatism must be addressed. As Ambassador Romano writes, the division between the prosperous north of Italy and the still impoverished south is bigger, and more bitterly felt, than 30 years ago. The most dynamic politi-cal movement of the last two years has been the Northern League, which calls for an autonomous north. Some new federal structure must be found, if Italy is not to break up. A strengthened presidency is needed, again probably on the French model.

The Italians have only begun to address what it is they need to do to give themselves a Second Republic that works. But the beginning has been made, and it is a solid one. International Herald Tribune.

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A Nuclear **Test Looms** For Clinton

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — Candidate
Bill Clinton was asked only
one question about nuclear testing
during the marathon 1992 general election campaign, a check of the clips shows. That is one more than President Bill Clinton has fielded so

far from journalists.

And that is a pity. Mr. Clinton faces some hard choices in the next few weeks about whether to authorize new underground nuclear tests when the present moratorium expires in June. The public should be weighing the challenges and opportunities con-fronting Mr. Clinton before the decision is made — not afterward.

At one level this is a seeming

technical decision involving warhead safety and reliability. But history, politics, diplomacy and military strategy intersect in resuming nuclear testing, which Congress halted last October on a nine-month trial basis. The choice that Mr. Clinton makes will say a great deal about the nuclear

Will little and

world order he hopes to achieve be-youd the Cold War.

After listening to members of Con-gress and policy analysts consulted during an extensive review of nuclear testing ordered by Mr. Clinton, my guess is that he will pursue a comprehensive test ban treaty outlawing nuclear testing internationally, making it a centerpiece of his administration's foreign policy. But first he must decide if resuming testing will help or burt the quest for a CTB treaty.

Does he lead by example, perma-nently ending U.S. testing? Or does he lead by negotiation, using resumed tests as bargaining chips with other countries and nervous members of the U.S. Senate?

On June 9, 1992, Mr. Clinton said:
"I think it is time for a nuclear test ban treaty and I think the United States should take the lead in that. It should be a part of our efforts to reduce or dismantle as many nuclear weapons as possible in the former Soviet Union" and part of "a very tough stance against the expansion of

nuclear capacity into dictatorships like Iran and Iraq."

The historical appeal of achieving a complete ban on nuclear testing is evident for Mr. Clinton. He has the opportunity to complete the legacy of John Kennedy. This year brings the 30th anniversary of the limited test ban treaty that the Kennedy White House negotiated with the Kremlin, prohibiting nuclear testing in the at-

mosphere, in space and under water. Mr. Kennedy proposed the limited treaty in his watershed American University speech in June 1963. On July 26, the young president told America, "Yesterday a shaft of light cut into the darkness" as negotiators initialed the draft treaty. He called the treaty "an important first step" toward ending underground testing.

Superpower competition dictated therwise. In 1982 the Reagan administration halted negotations for a CTB treaty so that it could develop new nuclear weapons. Even after the Soviet collapse, the Bush administration insisted that it had to conduct as many as six tests a year "to ensure stockpile safety and credibility."

But last year Russia and France separately suspended nuclear testing. Congress then banned U.S. testing through June and promised to end it permanently by Jan. 1, 1997, if other countries also refrained from testing. The legislation permitted the president to resume underground blasts to test America's nuclear arsenal for safety purposes, notifying Congress well in advance.

The congressional timetable and the approaching anniversary of Mr. Kennedy's treaty combine to draw Mr. Clinton toward a decision now. He must take into account the impact that his choice will have not only on his own troubled relations with the U.S. military establishment, which argues for renewed testing, but on Russia's Boris Yeltsin and the new conservative government in France. A resumption of U.S. testing would be seen in Moscow and Paris as justi-

get would-be nuclear states to renounce their nuclear ambitions. At home, influential senators like Georgia's Sam Numn argue that resuming testing is the best way to pursue the CIB treaty, a position derided by testing foes like Representative Jim ach, Republican of Iowa.

fication for resuming testing. It would also make it more difficult to

Mr. Clinton and his aides deserve credit for seizing this issue early and listening to expert opinion carefully. What is needed now is a comprehensive public debate on nuclear politics to expand on the limited one that has been going on behind closed doors. The Washington Post.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Royal Springboks LONDON - in accordance with the

invariable custom of the Prince and Princess of Wales to deposit at the zoo animals which are from time to time presented to them, the Princess recently forwarded to the authorities a set of three young springboks. It is several years since a specimen of this family of antelopes has found a place in the gardens. They are beautiful little creatures of presential little creatures, of graceful form and fine color. They have found a habitation in the cassowaries' house and seem to be acclimatised. They appeal to visitors for the orthodox bun or biscuit as though to the manner born.

1918: Draft and Dublin

LONDON - The Nationalist members of the Irish party in the House of Commons met at Dublin yesterday [April 20] and passed a resolution stating that the duty of the members, in the present crisis, is to remain in Ireland and co-operate in opposition

to the application of conscription here. The Lord Mayor of Dublin has been requested by the Irish leaders to go to Washington to lay Ireland's case before President Wilson.

1943: Birthday Raids

LONDON — [From our New York edition:] In the closing hours of Führer Adolf Hitler's birthday the Royal Air Force and the Red Army Air Force displayed great strength over northern, central and eastern Germany last night (April 20], attacking Stettin, Tilsit, Berlin and Rostock Stettin, Germany's chief Baltic port, swollen with supplies for the north Russian front, was still burning ten hours after the R.A.F. gave that city its worst blasting of the war. That was the Russians' target. The east Prussian city on the former Lithra-nian frontier suffered heavy casualties" according to a German commimque which made a departure from the usual Berlin propaganda line of belittling air raids from the east.

Guidelines for Foreign Aid democratization and reduction of By Takao Kawakami excessive military expenditure.

The writer directs the Economic Cooperation Bureau at Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

TOKYO — Japan provides more foreign aid than any other country — \$11 billion in the 1991-92 fiscal year, compared with \$9.4 billion from the United States. However, taking aid as a percent-age of GNP, Japan is in the middle of the pack among industrial nations. With 0.32 percent in 1991-92, it is far short of the 0.7 percent target set by the United Nations, While 95 percent of American

aid does not have to be repaid, most Inpanese assistance is in the form of credits, although more than 90 percent of them are no longer tied to purchase of Japanese goods and services. Nonetheless, the figures show that there is still plenty of room for Japan to improve the quality and quantity of its aid.

Under four aid guidelines an-nounced in April 1991, the government said it would pay full atten-tion to trends in recipient countries' military spending, de-velopment and manufacture of weapons of mass destruction and missiles, and the export or import of weapons; elforts toward democratization; respect for human rights and freedom; and progress in introducing market-oriented economies. These guidelines were later embodied in an Official Development Assistance Charter.

At high-level meetings with in-dustrial nations. Japan has actively

advocated the need for linkage be-

tween aid and such requirements as

To increase transparency of the

transfer of conventional arms, Japan proposed at the United Na-tions that a UN Register on Conventional Arms be established. The register was inaugurated in January last year.
The principles of the Japanese aid charter are closely linked in the

security, social, cultural and historical conditions of the recipient coun-tries. It is therefore neither easy nor appropriate to fix a uniform set of standards for putting these principles into practice. What is vital is for donor states

in encourage recipient countries to achieve these goals, and to actively support their efforts. A realistic approach would be to focus on trends to see whether a country's military spending and transfer of weapons over a period of time are being reduced. Similarly, with respect to democratization, we should evaluate the efforts that developing nations

are making toward democratization, rather than judge them on an absolute scale applicable to West-ern advanced democracies. in cases where the situation is elearly of serious concern to the Japanese people and the international community, sapau may need to reconsider its aid policy national community, Japan may for a particular country. There should be no double standards in

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our application of these principles.

are chiefly intended to consolidate the military's hold on politics. Universities have reopened, but only after being purged of critics of the state council. The fundamental duplicity of the so-called reform process is underscored by the continuation of martial law. The UN Commission for Human Rights recently issued a report on Burma that details the council'a systematic pattern of human rights abuses. Burma has been coddled by its

opened earlier this year in Burma

neighbors. China is the main arms supplier, providing the military with enhanced capabilities for sup-pressing dissent and intensifying campaigns against armed oppo-nents. The Association of South East Nations has hidden behind "constructive engagement" with Burma, a suphemism for inaction. in the past few years, Japan has taken a lead behind the scenes in

trying to convince Burmese leaders that reforms are in their own interests. Yet bittle has been achieved of substance. Despite this, Japan provided more than \$61 million in aid to Burma in 1990, more than any other donor including multilateral agencies. In 1991, after the state council provoked international condemnation for disregarding the elections, Tokyo actually increased

aid its aid to nearly \$85 million.

Is it only a matter of time before
Japanese-Burmese relations return to a business-as-usual basis? The Burmese deserve better. Together with the international community, they are boping that Japan will exercise moral authority and give meaning to the guiding principles of its aid charter. Disproportion-ate spending on the military (esti-mated at between 33 and 50 percent of the national hudget), ruthless suppression of democracy and systematic human rights viola-tions should disqualify Burma from Japanese aid by any measure. Burma is an important test case: Will Tokyo demonstrate that it does have a guiding philosophy underpinning its aid and foreign policy? Japan should take the opportunity to apply the principles it saya it supports, assert leadership and make clear that the state council will remain isolated until it gives Daw Aung San Suu Kyi the opportunity to establish a demo-cratic government.

The writer, a professor of Southeast Asian history at the Institute for Pa-cific Rim Studies at Temple University Japan, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

The Holocaust, in Black and White

WASHINGTON — Strange thoughts bent upon the brain. Such as: Who held the camera so steading and whose strangers are strangers. ly, and why?

In the black-and-white photograph, a naked girl, perbaps 6 years old, dangles. gripped by the neck in the coarse hands a strong woman (we see nothing of the woman above her biceps]. The child, eyes closed, looks uncomfortable but resigned to, and used to, rough handling. Her face is being wrenched around to face the camera. The description of the photo in the display in the new Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington reads: "A mentally disabled girl photographed shortly before her murder."

We know the minds of the articulate haters whose ideologies fuel mass mur-der. But who can fathom the mind of the unknown photographer?

The murder of the mentally handicapped was rehearsal for the Holocaust, the story of which is told with cold. controlled fury in the museum's amilacts and images. Visitors will see film (on screens behind walls too high for children to see over) of mob unimalism and other cruelties so savage that they seem to suck the oxygen from the room, But the museum also tells horrifying truths with blander images.

By George F. Will

Near the photograph of the dangling girl is one of a big building, taken from across the tops of a town's leafy trees. It is summer, yet dark smoke pours from the huilding's chimney. The building is a euthanasia center with a crematorium. The residents of the fown had to know.

The Holocaust Museum inflicts a kind of excraciating knowing. Architecture is high art when the way it frames space compels a frame of mind. The Holocaust Museum - the building and alte experiences it synchronizes — is a masterpiece in response to an obscemiy.

The hard, assaultive building is made of brick framed by bolted steel - the Nazi solution to the problem of the intense heat of hard-used crematoriums. The building suggests a closed world without softness, other than that of flesh. The building seems comorted by anxiety: Angles are odd, implying fissures in the foundation of things. Visitors have a sense of being loomed over by structures evoking guard towers. A rising stairway intimates a railroad, and leads to an arch that insinuates into the mind's eye the gate over the tracks at the Auschwitz-Birkeitau concentration camp.

But Will It Really Help?

P OR ALL the impressive scholar-ship, careful planning and noble intentions that have gone into the Holocaust Museum, there remains something deeply disturbing about the very idea of a federal museum in Washington devoted to documenting the destruction of

European Jewry. Two years ago I risited the museum. then under construction, to write an article for The Forward, I had not given much thought to what a Holocaust nutseum in the capital might mean until the director of the project. Michael Beren-haum, said: "What we are about is the Americanization of the Holocaust."

That disquieting concept continues to haunt me, I could see, even in the skeletal structure, that the scale and scope of the place was ambitious - a kind of Noah's Ark in reverse, preserving a piece or two of everything that perished, But artifacts do not ensure fidelity to history. It is the movement away from the literal that allows this museum to offer a

piece of Jewish history to America. Every visitor will be able to obtain, on entering the museum, an "identity card" that will match him or her with someone of the same sex, the same age group, who passed through the Holocaust. This phantoni companion will accompany the visitor through the exhibition halls, before leaving, the visitor will find out what became of the person on the card,

scrambled to acquire false papers in order to survice the war - the papers of non-Jews. There is a reverse principle at work here, as if everyone were expected

to enter the museum as American and

leave, in some fashion, a Jew, Is that what it means to Americanize the Holocaust?

Christian culture had assigned Jews the role of suffering witnesses hundreds of years ago, Were Jews to voluntarily offer

themselves up to play the role once more!" As someone whose paternal grand-ourents died in the Holocaust, I should perhaps feel a kind of grim satisfaction that the story of what happened to them and millions more would now be a nermanent part of American culture.

But the dual mission the museum planners have juggled —documenting a spe-ofic tragedy rooted in Jewish and European particularity while creating a universal symbol of suffering available for American adaptation — sull troubles me. The minder of 6 million Jews is not a

metaphor for human suffering. It is not a metaphor for anything, and the more it becomes one, the more it is removed from the time and place necessary to any true telling of events, the less it will he anything at all.

Perhaps what is most American about the museum is the great optimism behind it, the cheery conviction that even a terrible canastrophe can be put to practical use. But is the contemplation of radical European evil, steeped in hundreds of years of Christian anti-Semi-During the Holocaust many Jens tism, really going to help make Americans better citizens?

 Jonathan Rosen, executive editor. of The Forward, an English-language Joursh weekh in New York, writing in The New York Times.

Visitors begin their journey into darkness in elevators, using to the fourth floor while hearing the roices of American soldiers in Germany, 48 Aprils ago. The soldiers are saying that they have stumbled on a horror down the road. The elevators' dark sicel doors part and risttors face a wall-sized picture of charred bodies stacked like cordwood. Thus begins an immersion in evil, and an encounter with heroism in the face of it.

A square three-story tower within the museum is lined with photographs from a Lithuanian community where a 900year tradition of Jewish life was machine-gunned to death in two days. The souring tower of strong images of Jewish vitality suggests how much the number 6 million understates the loss. Think of all the generations that will not happen.

Some people will wonder: Why situate this museum, this experience of darkness, amid the Washington Mall's glistening monuments to the success of American society? One answer is: Because one message of the museum is that there is no

permanent safety in social arrangements. The Mull's welcoming openness and reasonable geometry make it an analogue of American experience, which is the best of the West, However, the Holocaust Museum, by holding up for scrutiny a radical evil that erupted in the middle of the West in the middle of the 20th century, reminds us that the most that can ever be said with certainty, anywhere, is: So far, so good,

But it almost diminishes the muse-um's dignity to cite its usefulness. A sufficient reason for it is to keep faith with those who suffered, by telling their truth. This the museum does, with the power of literature.

In 1989, I visited death camps in Poland as part of a delegation accepting some of the artifacts now displayed in the museum. That trip, although harrowing, did not prepare me for the power of this museum, which left me literally short of breath, suffocated by a sadness related to something that Primo Levi wrote,

Mr. Levi was an Auschwitz survivor. (Perhaps, in a sense, not, In 1987, still a prisoner of his memory and haunted by the thought that the world's memory of Holocaust was fading, he killed himself.) He wrote about the "interminable death" that a survivor of forture suffers. And he quoted a Belgian Jew who survived Auschwitz: "Anyone who has suffered torrure never again will be able to be at ease in the world." That man killed himself in 1978,

The Holocaust Museum, experienced deeply, will annihilate the possibility of feeling quite at ease. Be warned, but do not be deterred.

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These Fires of Fanaticism Start With Holy Sparks

By Jan Jarboe

A USTIN, Texas — In the Texas Bible Belt, where I grew up and still live, religious cartoon characters like David Koresh are the rule, not the exception. Here, all sorts of folks talk

When I was a child growing up in the Southern Baptist church, the Bible was often cited as justification for the strangest behavior. Holy Scripture was the reason I couldn't go to the movies on Sunday afternoons, swim in the same pool with hoys or drink from the same water fountain as black people. On Monday, as I sat in my living from and watched on relevision -- live

MEANWHILE

from Waco! - white up to 87 people, including 17 children, went up in smoke. I wondered why it often takes the fire of death to reveal religion's

David Koresh called himself a "sinful prophet," and when it came to naming his core identity, he did not lie. This was a man who gorged on sexbeer, rock and roll, guns and religion. The only holiness he saw was in himself. He justified sealing himself and his followers off in a concrete compound east of Waco by personifying himself as good and the rest of the world as evil. In the end, he indulged his own internal-ized demons in a final ongs of violence.

Mr. Koresh's brand of fanaticism is so common that it rarely makes the news.

Ants, the FBI agents solidified his power over his followers and made themfeel so empty and afraid, and disilluselves and their law enforcement

sioned with families, the economy and politics that they are willing to pay almost any price for certainty

Always, the road to fanaticism starts

It is easier to understand Mr. Koresh's behavior than it is to understand the FBI's strategy. Mr. Koresh was simply fulfilling his own prophecy. In his nund, he was good, the government was beasily and evil and because of the unhridgeable gap between good and

The FBI's mistake was to battle the external compound that Mr. Koresh had erected rather than confronting the real enemy, his internal prison what the poet William Blake called

Federal agents played the role Mr.

with a fine, often hely premise. For instance, a regular churchgoer be-comes convinced that all life is sacred. The belief is an strong that it takes on godlike power. At this point, the person is no longer celebrating life's sacredness har is intoxicated by the power of his own ideas. He serves his beltef at all cost even when, as happened in Florida last month, it provokes the murder of a physician who performed abortions. This is the nature of fanaticism: It provides people to do the very things they hate.

evil there was no way one but death.

the mind-forg'd manacles."

Koresh created for them, treating bim like a terrorist and his followers like hostages, not fanaries. By talking only to Mr. Koresh and his chief lieuten-

colleagues appear as beastly as he claimed they were.

The families of those who died inside the compound have a right to wonder why none of them were allowed to appeal to their relatives di-rectly before the FBI rammed the comgound with tanks.

The public, too, was somehow complicit in forcing an end to what was constantly described in the media as

the "cutt standoff," There were only two other alternatives to what happened in Waco, One was for Mr. Koresh to give up his vision of saliation - the idea that he alone could save the world -- and the other was for the FBI to give up the goal of gening him to surrender at all cost.

Neither side was able to give in. The tension, stretched over 51 days, became unbearable. You could feel avervone wanting something to happen even an eruption of chairs.

Among the comments I heard after the fire were these: "That'il show 'em." Thank God his over" and "At least we won't be spending \$1 million a day in Waco anymore.

The desire for resolution was nomensely strong, and cansfied ever by terrible, fiery death.

The one person who thrived on the tension was Mr. Koresii himself. The anxiety of others gave him the power to create his own personal apocalypic. A true messiah dies to save others David Koresh was no messiah,

The writer, a senior editor at Texas Monthly, contributed this comment to

The New York Times

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Witnesses to the Agony

At a Bosnian refugee comp in Nor-way, I heard stones like those the International Red Cross and Amnesty International have reported; Mass killings on a lonely country road, group graves for hundreds of civilians, tires placed around people's waists and ignited.
It makes for a much stronger impress

sion when you hear it person to person and you know the person sitting across from you has been there, I wept,

Most of us cannot know what it is like to be in Bosnia, Except, of course, for the survivors of the German concentration camps. They can tell you what it was like; intense terror and fear that reaches into your bones.

The refugers asked me why they cannot return home. They do not want to stay in Norway and become a burden on the state. Breaking up Bosnia into 10 independent cantons is a strange way to reward these brave people.

When Iraq invaded Kuwait, no one care deeply about Armenia, But I never

given to the aggressor. When Germany invaded France, no one dared sugges that a part of France be given to the Germans. Yet some Western intellectuals now seriously propose giving the Serbian nationalists exactly what they mant: Bosnia on a silver platter!

dared propose that a piece of Kuwait be-

DAVID N. BENJAMIN. Norwegian Institute of Technology. Trondheim, Norway.

Dazzle the 'Ally'

The reactionaries in the Russian military are first and foremost technocrats. brief, technologically darzling, punishing strike on Belgrade would give them pause. Even pleasure.

(Russians universally delighted in the humbling of itaq, though Iraq was also a

"traditional ally"). Russians line strength and describe indecision. Fremet many Russians who

mer a Russian who gare a damn about Serbia, one way or the other.

GUY MCCRACKEN. St. Petersburg.

President for Rent?

Regarding the report "George Bush Rejected? Not in Kanai;" (April 10); It there were any doubts about who profiled from the Gulf War, this latest expansion of the rent-a-president busi-

ness would dispel it.
Germy bile, as Flora Lewis reminds to "For the Emerics of the Sandis' Enemy, a "Comerce", "Option, April (0). the war has left other traces - lives strack down and nations in fear. Since Mr. Bush and the "host of former administration officials" are still in a sense paid representatives of the United States, they might have been taking some interest in what Ms. Lowis calls the unfinished bir mess of the Middle East. DAVID DOPRANCE.

Listen to the Ladv

Listening to Lady Thatcher childin Western democrats for their hesitant approach to the Bosnian massacre brought i mind Churchill's cry in the wildemes-when he warned of the danger of sutin back as Hitler gobbled up Eastern Europe Will we never learn? Weakness in the facof flagram disrespect for life will lead to Serbs to believe they can continue the "ethnic cleansing" virtually unopposed Lady Thatcher was simply trying to tell u that what we are doing is not enough, M. ICHRD-SMITH.

Learning to Like

Regarding "The Unlikelike Like" from Isubel Manzane (Leners, April 2) Hey, lighten up. It was, like, totally a joke,

LISA CANADAN DENNIS STYFAL (III). Milan



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Patten Urges U.S. Not to Link Trade to Hong Kong Talks

By Kevin Murphy

HONG KONG - On the eve of tough talks in leijing on Hong Kong's future, Governor Chris Paten urged the United States on Wednesday not to link is trade policy to progress in the long-awaited negoti-

"If those who would help us have it in mind to pull ur constitutional concerns into the MFN debate, I hould like to make a very frank appeal to them: lease don't." Mr. Patten said at an American Chamer of Commerce in Hong Kong luncheon. "You can't elp us hy harting our economy.

Mr. Patten was referring to Washington's debate wer extending China's most-favored-nation trading tatus. Some members of the U.S. Congress, already oncerned about China's human rights record, have irged that guarantees of democracy in Hong Kong be nade a condition for extending the favorable trade

The governor warned that the use of trade as a

reapon was "double-edged."
"You cannot cut the other side without also cutting ourself." he said.

The Hong Kong government predicts losses of up to 66 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$21.5 billion] in the olony's trade, 23 billion dollars in income and 69,000 obs, should the United States decide to remove Chi-

ia's most-favored-nation status I do urge my friends not to worry 100 much. British oliticians - indeed the British government - have ced through worse," Mr. Patten said of the ongoing lispute with China.

In Beging, Lu Ping, the head of China's Hong Kong nd Macao Affairs office, predicted that successful alks between Britain and China could drive the Hang leng Index to 8,000. The stock market responded athusiastically as the index rose 129.58 points, or 1.96 rercent, 10 end at 6,768,39. Mr. Lu also said China

oped for a "positive result" in the talks.

His conciliatory comments replaced harsher speech rom the Chinese side. Still, difficulties lie ahead for egotiations between Sir Robin McLaren, Britain's mbassador to Beijing, and Jiang Enzhu. China's eputy minister of foreign affairs.

"We're back to the normal levels of diplomacy in Hong Kong, which is brinksmanship," said Nick Moakes, an analyst with S.G. Warburg Securities | Far East1 Ltd.. "I'm sure China will be wondering how much closer the brink is with Patten than with his

On one level the discussions are about widening the electoral base for 1995 elections to Hong Kong's Legislative Council. On another level they pil a Britain concerned about an honorable 1997 retreat from its last major colony against a China grown sensitive about criticism of its methods of governing.

In the middle sits Hong Kong, which would rather be left alone to get on with business, and Mr. Patten, who has staked his reputation and political career on not kowtowing to China.

"They will come to some arrangement" said David Chu, a Hong Kong property developer who doubles as one of nearly 100 "advisers" to China. "They have to. because the consequences for everyone are so grave if they don't."

When it was announced that negotiations would begin. Britain said it wanted to resolve the outstanding issues with Beijing in time to present electoral reform legislation to the Legislative Council before its current session ends in July.

Beiling's distaste for the council's acting on a packsetting's distaste for the council's acting on a package that China has not already approved is a major source of leverage for Britain, say Hong Kong officials who cite Mr. Putten's decision to publish the legislation in March as the catalyst for China's recent deci-

'II's going to take a considerable amount of guts to call China's bluff, but he's already shown he's willing to take that risk," said Mr. Moakes of Warburg.

Mr. Chu agreed that Mr. Patten's nerve is the key to

"China wants to put this dispute behind it," Mr. Chu said. "But after Mr. Patten gazetted the reform bill, the Chinese officials were in a state of total

"After getting so surprised by Mr. Patten and the British, no one on the Chinese side is confident of



RITES FOR TURKEY'S PRESIDENT - A mourner holding a picture of President Turgut Ozal on the route of his funeral procession in Ankara on Wednesday. Thousands stood in the rain waiting for the cortege to pass after national leaders paid respects. Mr. Ozal, 66, died Saturday.

Defense Minister Latest Target in Italy Mafia Inquiry

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

ROME - With his tattered nine-month administration in its last hours. Prime Minister Giuliano Amato faced a final indignity Wednesday when his defense min-ister. Salvo Ando, became the latest senior official to be accused by Sicilian magistrates of associating with the Mafia.

The accusation against Mr. Ando provided an epithet on a government that bas at once overseen the exposure of postwar linly's greatest political scandal — ranging from buge-kickbacks to political ties with the mob — and been unable to escape infection by it.

Two days after Italians voted overwhelmingly in a referendum heralding major political change. Mr. Amato went before Parliament Wednesday night in a first step toward the government's resignation, which is expected Thursday.

Symbolically, Parliament's benches were freckled with digni-taries under investigation for brib-ery, including former Foreign Min-ister Gianni de Michelis; the former chief of the Christian Democtats. Arnaldo Forlani, and the former bealth minister, Francesco de Lorenzo.

'The referendum vote bas brought us irreversibly and defini-tively to a profoundly new phase." Mr. Amato said. "We cannot continue to rule in a political frame-work marked by rules that the elec-torate bas canceled. We need a clean break."

In the referendum, 82.7 percent of voters endorsed the end of pure proportional representation for three quarters of the Senate, creatchanges in the lower bouse.

If enacted, the changes will mean a drastic shift away from the power of political parties and loward a system in which large political groups will compete for votes.

The vote Sunday and Monday occurred after 14 months of scandal in which six government ministers quit and four political party leaders resigned over allegations that they were among hundreds of business execurives and politicians who routinely traded bribes for public works contracts.

Additionally, four former ministers — including former Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti — are under investigation for purported links with the Mafia, long held by specialists to have cultivated political ues to protect itself from investigation and prosecution.

On Tuesday, testimony by a Mafia informer made public by the Senate indicated that Mr. Andreotti had embraced and kissed Salvatore (Toto) Riina, the "boss of all bosses" of the Sicilian mob. captured in January after 23 years.

Mr. Andreotti told a Senate panel Wednesday that the assertions were untrue and that be was the object of an "an unprecedented lynching attempt.

Links between politicians and the mob surfaced again Wednesday when Sicilian magistrates in Cata-nia sought the lifting of Defense Minister Ando's parliamentary immunity so that he could answer charges of collusion with the Mafia in vote-rigging.

"I am indignant, but calm," Mr. Ando, a Socialist, said. He has previously denied links to the Mafia. The judges quoted evidence by an informer implicating Mr. Ando.

H. Brandon

Of Sunday

Times Dies

By Eric Pace

New York Times Service

longtime Washington corespon-

dent of the Sunday Times of Brit-ain, died Tuesday in London fol-lowing a stroke Friday at a restaurant there while on a trip.

Mr. Brandon had been a guest

Henry Brandon, 77, who was

Envoy Lists Flaws in POW Report

WASHINGTON - A presidenial envoy gave President Bill Clinon information Wednesday castng doubt on a document uggesting that Hanoi held more American prisoners of war than it as ever acknowledged.
Just back from a fact-finding trip

o Vietnam. General John W. Vesey Jr. met with Mr. Clinton in the Wal Office to discuss a Russiananguage report from 1972 discov-red by a Harvard University reearther in the archives of the ommunist Party in Moscow. "We know that some of the facts

hat are alleged in the Russian dociment are wrong, a lot of the acis," the retired general said after neering with Mr. Clinton, "The list

General Vessey, former chair-nan of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, pent two days discussing the docu-

who asserted that the report was a forgery. General Vessey said be did not think it was a forgery, but he

questioned its contents. The Russian document indicated that Hanoi might have held 1,205 American prisoners of war at a time when it admitted to holding only 368. While casting doubt on the Russian document. General Vessey said. "I think we should not get into who's a liar and who's not a

He said the document said that American prisoners were separated according to rank, when in fact they were not. Further, be said. "If there were an additional 669 prisoners, it seems logical that our people would bave seen them. They did not see them.

He said the document also erred in reporting the method of releasing American prisoners and the

ment with Vietnamese officials, number of colonels in captivity, Russian's Response

The Russian chairman of a joint U.S.-Russian commission on American prisoners of war said Wednesday he was convinced that the report was a genuine document from the archives of the Communist Party, but be said be could not youch for the information it contains, Celesune Bohlen of the New York Times reported from Mos-

General Dmitri A. Volkogonov. who is also a historian, said be only learned of the document in early

"My opinion is that the document is completely authentic." said General Volkogonov, who returned to Moscow after a trip to the United States. "Whether the information is accurate, I cannot say."

Dany the Red at 48: The Fire Is Banked

By Craig R. Whitney

Vese York Times Sernie FRANKFURT - Daniel Cohn-Bendit, the celebrated Dany the Red of the student rebellion in Paris in 1968, still has the head full of red hair that gave him the nick-name, but his fiery temperament has given way to the philosophical

In a German city 170,000 of whose 628,000 residents are foreigners. Mr. Cohn-Bendit is now the elected official responsible for "multicultural affairs," which have become a lot more complicated all over Germany since an influx of

hundreds of thousands of foreign asylum-seekers created a rightist

radical backlash.

On March 7, when the rightist Republican Party won 10 of the 93 seats in the Frankfurt City Council. its leaders vowed that among the first things they would try to do would be to abolish his office. But Mr. Cohn-Bendit did not join the angry people who gathered outside

the town hall to protest the vic-tones by so many Republicans, Instead, he walked over to Heinrich Frank, the insurance salesman who is the Republican leader bere, and to Klaus Sauer, a fruit and vegetable grower who is his deputy, and gave them a greeting of sorts.
"It looks as if we'll be seeing a lot of each other over the next four vears," he said.

The Republicans are perceived by many Germans as espousing a neo-Nazi ideology. Mr. Cohn-Ben-

Considering that the Republi-cans had made the abolition of Mr. Cohn-Bendit's office a main platform plank, Mr. Sauer said, they were impressed that be approached them. "He's a very effective politician and a great speaker," Mr. Sauer said in an interview. "He should just be in some other job."

Mr. Cobn-Bendit, padding around in sneakers and a green sweater in his official rooms in Frankfurt's fashionable Westend, said he wasn't worried about the future, his own or Germany's, despite the election results.
"We are not in 1933 in Germany

today," he said. "There are people of an authoritarian bent in all Western societies.

"But you can't force the people of a whole country to adopt correct political positions by constantly trying to make them have a guilty conscience. If the Republicans conscience. If the Republicans alleviate an acute housing short-were truly Nazis, they would have ages did not square with their other been outlawed and couldn't have run in the elections."

Mr. Cohn-Bendit, 48, believes the city election results would have been a lot different if the 27 percent of the population that is non-German had had the right to vote.

"The Republicans say 'Germans first." he said. His own party, the toward foreigners by promising to crack down on economic refugees Greens, would like to see Germany from Eastern Europe who come long time." allow immigrants to become citi-



Daniel Cohn-Bendit, who sees rightist election gains in Frankfurt as symptomatic of a social problem, not as a sign of Nazi revival.

zens, instead of just tolerating them as indispensable "guest workers" bere saying they are fleeing politi-cal persecution but really just wanting a crack at the benefits of

In a talk in a lower-middle-class apple-wine bar and restaurant in a neighborhood where the walls are scrawled with slogans both for and against the Republicans, Mr. Sauer denied vigorously that they had anything in common with Nazis.

"We are not professional politi-cians," he said. "We are mostly inexperienced in politics, and we have a lot to learn."

Among the lessons they've learned since their election, apparently, is that their campaign promises to build low-rent apartments tfor Germans, not foreignerst to promises to cut taxes on small businesses. The city's finances are in worse shape than they thought. Mr.

Sauer acknowledged, but how could they know until they got into the city council? In the campaign, the Republicans appealed to negative feelings

cal persecution but really just per's Washington correspondent wanting a crack at the benefits of from 1949 until he retired from its the German welfare state.

"We've got nothing against real refugees, like people from Bosnia-Herzegovina," Mr. Sauer said. "We're against the abuse of the constitutional right to asylum,

Such vague notions seem far retion and ideological obsessions of the Nazis. "I get frightened at my-self when I read what the newspa-

pers say about me sometimes." be Mr. Cohn-Bendit does not underestimate the threat from the Re-

publicans, but also believes it is often exaggerated. "I think people voted for the Republicans because they were dis-

oriented," he said. "The Republicans are a German authoritarian version of Patrick Buchanan in the United States, or Jean-Marie Le Pen in France. We

have to see them as a social prob-

lem, one that will be with us for a

scholar in foreign policy studies at the Brookings Institution in Wash-ington since 1983. He was a native of what is now

he Czech Republic who became a natoralized British subject. He edited the book "In Search of a New World Order: The Future of U.S.-European Relations," which recounted his lively Washington career in "Special Relationships: A Foreign Correspondent's Memoirs From Roosevelt to Reagan," published in 1989.

Mr. Brandon was his newspa-

George Mickelson, 52, Governor of South Dakota

PIERRE South Dakota --- Governor George S. Mickelson of South Dakota died in a plane crash in Iowa on Monday night. a

spokesman for his office said. Mr. Mickelson, 52, was one of eight people killed in the crasb about 15 miles (about 25 kilometers) southwest of Dubuque as they were returning from a trip to Cincinnati to promote economic development in the state, a spokesman

for his office said. A Republican, Mr. Mickelson was first elected in 1986 and won another four-year term in 1990.

Cantinflas, 81, the Mexican comic, died of lung cancer Tuesday in Mexico City. His real name was Mario Moreno Reyes. He appeared in 49 films during a career that started in music hall in 1936. He became known internationally for his role in the movie "Around the World in Eighty Days.

EUROPEAN TOPICS

A Green Seal of Approval To Help Clear Europe's Air

A cheerful flower logo with an "E" for a pistil is to become the symbol of one of the European Community's most ambitious efforts to curb pollution. The "eco label" will appear as a sort of green seal of approcal throughout the 12 Community countries. identifying products less damaging to the environment than others.

The standards will be uniform throughout the Community, but the label will be issued by each country to its native products. The New York Times reports, Manufacturers will have to pay to use the label, because it will be seen as a desirable marketing tool.

EC governments will probably be required to buy the eco-labeled products. In Germany, most government offices are already using recycled paper that carries the Blue Angel environmental label. The Scandinavian countries, the Netherlands and France have also started "green" labels.

Some officials in North European nations. where environmental rules are tougher than in the South, fear they will have to lower their standards to achieve EC-wide consensus. But regulators note that the labels are valid for only three years, at which point the standards Around Europe

With Belgian separatists enjoying a rising profile, a demonstration for national unity has been called for Sunday in Brussels, Some of the country's best-known figures, including the onetime cycling great Eddy Merckx and the former Grand Prix champion Jacky lekx, plan to take part. Under a bilingual banner — Contro le separatisme — Tegen het separatisme" - organizers hope to attract a far larger crowd than the 4,200 who marched in Brussels two years ago to demand a Flemish republic.

France is losing its farmers, and its families are under increasing pressure, but the country has undergone a dramatic modernization a survey of French trends shows.

According to a triennial report by the national statistics institute INSEE, the number of farmers fell by 31 percent from 1982 to 1990, while the number of industrial workers declined by 7 percent.

One French child in three is now born out of wedlock, as the number of married couples has declined, by 400,000, while the number of unmarried couples has more than doubled, to Meanwhile, households are far better

equipped. Ninety percent now have bathrooms, vompared with 5 percent in 1946; 94 percent have telephones, up from 8 percent in 1954, and 77 percent have cars, up from 47 percent in 1965.

When Pope John Paul II crosses the Adriatic on Sunday to speak in Tirana, it will be will be reviewed, and probably tightened. the first visit of a pontiff to the Albanian

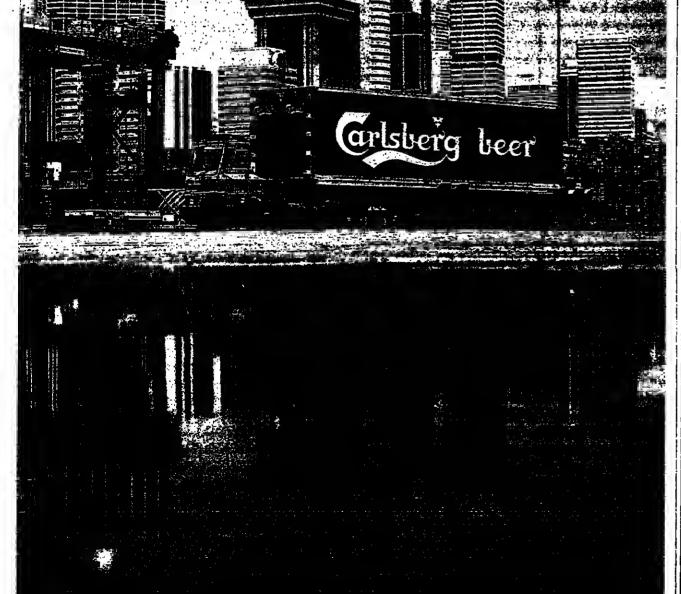
capital. The Pope will also travel to the northern city of Shkodra, where be will ordain four bishops to serve the country's estimated 300,000 Catholics. Albania is separated from the Vaucan by only about 400 kilometers [250 miles), but four decades of insular communism and official atheism (all religious institutions were closed from 1967 to 1990) bad prevented earlier visits, the ATA news agency notes.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany has just completed his latest weight-loss cure at Bad Hofgastein in Austria, but the result of the 16-day regime of berbal tea and dry bread is something of a state secret. One German newspaper said Mr. Kohl had lost 7 kilograms (15 pounds). A reporter followed the same diet and lost only 3.5 kilos, but be noted that the chancellor "is a professional" at the dieting game. The German press estimates Mr. Kohl's weight at 130 kilos.

"The Good Sex Guide," n critically ac-claimed sex education program produced by Britain's ITV, has been rejected by Swedish television executives as "far too tame." The program broke new ground in Britain with its humorous but explicit approach, and it was sold to Danish and Finnish television. But a spokesman for Sweden's TV4 said the series was too much like educational programs seen

Fore! Britain's Princess Anne, on her thoughts about golf: "I prefer to take the dog

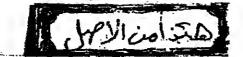
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Swimming Beats Running as A Workout

By Gina Kolata New York Times Service

EW YORK - Dr. Howard Wainer, a swimmer and statistician at the **Educational Testing Ser**vice in Princeton, New Jersey, first began wondering if runners spend energy as efficiently as swimmers when he was a student in the 1960s, and argued with his runner friends

over whose workout was harder. Now he has combined those two interests in an article in Chance, the journal of the American Statistical

Humans, it seems, just were not meant to move quickly through water. Dr. Wainer's study found that champion runners can go about three and a half times farther than champion swimmers in the same amount of time. But in that time, the less efficient swimmers burn 25 percent more calories.

Swimmers can take solace, however, in the finding that they appear to he better cooditioned as athletes. Runners' performances peter out as their distances get longer, whereas swimmers maintain a much more consistent pace. And female swimmers are faster, compared with female runners, than male swimmers are compared with male

If a persoo is running at top speed for a given length of time, say 20 minutes, and another person is swimming at top speed for that time, Dr. Weiner asked, how far will the runner go relative to the swimmer? To answer the question, he looked at world record times in running and swimming, to be sure he was comparing the very best performances in the two sports.

E found that the theoretical maximum ratio is 3.75 to 1 for male athletes, which means that in 20 minutes a man can run 3.75 times as far as he can swim. The ratio was 3.5 for women in a 20minote period. The ratio differs slightly for different times.

The study, said Dr. Sally Morton, a statistician at the Rand Corporation in Santa Monica, Califorhis, is "creating a buzz in the statistics community among the more athletic biathlete-triathlete

One immediate consequence of the results, said Dr. Al Loosli, a sports physiologist at the Center for Sports Medicine at St. Francis Memorial Hospital in San Francis-co, is that it allows athletes to calculate whether they are more efficient runners or swimmers by looking at the ratio of their best

Some statisticians say they are already putting that idea into practice. Dr. Morton, who is a competitive long-distance ocean swimmer, said that she immediately calculat-ed her relative speeds of running versus awimming to see if they came close to the theoretical maximum, which is 3.5 to 1 for female athletes. Her ratio, she said, was 2.6 to l, indicating that she swims much better than she runs.

Dr. Richard De Veaux, a statistician at Princetoo University who competes in triathlons, did the same thing. He said his ratio was exactly the same as the figure Dr. Wainer calculated for male athes, 3.75 to 1. "The way I look at it, I'm equally bad at both sports,"

Dr. De Veaux said.
Dr. Wainer said that when he analyzed the relative efficiencies of running and swimming, he deliberately rejected an approach that had been tried in the past: to assume that the efficiency of exercise de-pends on the oumber of calories that are required to move one gram of body mass a distance of one

N this sort of analysis, the time factor is ignored, since whether someone walks a mile or runs it, the total energy ided would be the same. This is the basis of advice, often given by trainers in health clubs, who say that people wanting to lose weight are just as well off walking as running as long as they keep their

distance constant.
"That idea seemed patently false," Dr. Wainer said. "It seemed to me that the distance traveled isn't the key thing. It's how hard it is to do it.'

Dr. John Duncan, an exercise physiologist, agreed with this ap-proach. The idea that only distance matters in calculating efficiency, "is an old myth," he said.

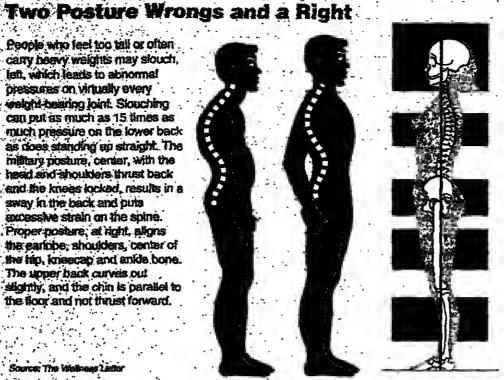
Given the ratios he found for swimmers and runners, as well as measurements of oxygen consump-tion, Dr. Wainer deduced that champion swimmers burn 25 percent more calories than runners in a given time.

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People who feel too tall or often . carry heavy weights may slouch, left, which leads to abnormal oressures on virtually every weight-bearing joint. Slouching can put as much as 15 times as much pressure on the lower back as does standing up straight. The military posture, center, with the head and shoulders thrust back end the knees locked, results in a sway in the back and puts excessive strain on the spine. Proper posture, at right, aligns the earlibe; shoulders, center of

Source: The Wellness Latter

The upper back curves out



Stand Up Straight, Now!

By Jane E. Brody New York Times Service

of sounding like your mother, I am going to tell you to "stop slouching and stand (sit) up straight."

Not that poor posture will cause some dread disease or turn you into a laughingstock. But perpetually allowing your body to stand or sit in misaligned positions can exact an impleas-ant toll on your physical well-being and possibly your social stature.

Body language says a lot to the world about your self-image. A person who stands up straight conveys a message of self-confidence and competence, while someone who stands with slouched shoulders and a sag-ging gut appears depressed and selfconscious. Poor posture can make you look older and fatter than you

Poor posture can also set you up for all kinds of chronic or recurring aches and pains, especially neck and back pain, and it can drain your energy and increase fatigue.

Slouching creates up to 15 times as much pressure on your lower back as standing up straight does. When you shump, your diaphragm collapses, there is less room for your lungs to

expand, and the resulting shallow demands on your skeletal structure breathing means there is less oxygen and increasing fatigue when you stand or walk. available to courish your body.

In children, posture problems, which tend to become more noticeable during adolescence, may be caused by a congenital or develop-mental abnormality. The child may have a spinal deformity that warrants medical attention and correction. The child's doctor may recommend a consultation with a specialist in pediatric orthopedics.

But experts in physical therapy say that in most cases bad posture in adults is a bad habit and, like any habit, it can be broken.

Although some people slouch because they have a poor self-image. more ofteo joadequate mosele strength in the upper body and weak stomach muscles play major roles. A person may be a runner or biker with incredibly strong legs and hips, but unless another activity is pursued that strengthens the upper body, muscles there may be surprisingly weak. For some, the physical demands of

their jobs - the need to sit in one place hour after hour, having to carry heavy loads or bend over often —put strain on the body and prompt them to slouch in a misguided effort to relieve the stress.

Being overweight can also take a toll on your posture by adding to the on the supporting tissues.

Pregnant women who fail to maintain good muscle tone, especially in their backs and the upper body, are more likely to acquire the postural distortion and severe back strain that can accompany their expanding ab-

On the other hand, the much-touted military posture, with head and shoulders pulled back stiffly and knees locked, can also result in excessive arching of the back and undue stress on the spine. In fact, any body position that is forced and rigid is fatiguing, using far more energy than good posture requires.

Think of your body as a stack of building blocks: one each for your head, oeck bones, rib cage, pelvic area, thighs, shins and feet. As a child, you may have tried to stack blocks zigzag fashion to see how high you could go before they fell.

People with poor posture are doing the same thing to their bodies. While their muscles, tendons and ligaments will keep them from complete collapse, any imbalance in the alignment of their body's "blocks" increases the effort involved in keeping the stack together and creates excessive strain

Breast Cancer Theory Family of Genes Could Be Factor

YDNEY — An Australian medical research team has found that a family of genes may play a major role in the spread of breast cancer and say their work could bring closer a cure for the killer

An 18-month study by the Garvan Research Foundation at St. Vincents Hospital in Sydney showed the role of the genes, known as cyclins, was likely to occur more in breast cancer cells than in normal breast tissue. "These experi-ments have revealed that cyclin genes and in particular cyclin D1 are far more prevalent in breast cancer than normal breast tissue," a research team member, Dr. Colin Watts, said. "This provides strong evidence that these new genes may be involved to the development and growth of breast cancer."

By identifying the genes, the researchers believe that they are nearer to controlling the spread of breast cancer. "Understanding the molecular mechanisms which control these functions of multiplication io normal breast cells and how the mechanisms change is the major challenge facing researchers," Dr. Watte said.

The head of the research tearn. Dr. Rot Sutherland, said there was evidence that the cyclin genes were also found in some types o ukemia and in some head and neck cancers.

The research is still in its early stage, Dr Sutherland said. The next step would be an examination of the whole range of breast can cers in individual women to verify the finding and to see whether or not these genes were related to different types of cancer.

What's Green, Centenarian And Nearly Impenetrable?

By Malcolm W. Browne New York Times Service

ASHINGTON - It may be the most impenetrable periodical in the English language, and yet hopeful anthors sent it 39,475 manuscripts last year, and its 6,000-odd subscribers paid up to \$1,000 each to read it. It is The Physical Review, oow celebrating its 100th

anniversary. At a national meeting of the American Physical Society here on April 13, a crowd of prominent physicists from around the world packed a banquet hall to hear "Songs of the Physical Revue," a collection of science parodies written during his student days at Harvard University by

the mathematician-turned-satirist Tom Lehrer. Not always appealing to nonscientists, the Lehrer songs included numbers like "The Derivative," a sprightly ditty based oo differential calculus. Other Lehrer songs on the bill were "The Slide Rule Song," which explains to students to the state of the dents how to hide examination crib notes in a slide rule, and "Physicist's Love Song," which begins with the line "I love you, a liter and a

The journal celebrated in the centennial observance rarely offers anything comprehensible to outsiders, however, much less anything to laugh about. It consists of pure, unrelenting science of the highest order.

Generally speaking, physicists do oot much care whether outsiders understand what they write, but The Physical Review has plumbed new depths of unintelligibility, and its prose has become so opaque that the publishers recently felt obliged to impose new writing rules on some authors.

The rules are oot uniformly applied. So many physics papers are published each week that The Physical Review comes out in six volumes.

each one specializing in a field. 1Physical Re view A is devoted to atomic physics, optics an related matters: Physical Review B publishe papers on solid-state physics; Physical Review C covers nuclear physics: Physical Review L has to do with astrophysics and relativity, and Physical Review E covers plasma, chaos and

complexity.]
None of these volumes is affected by the nev iotelligibility rule. But another section of the publication, called Physical Review Letters now demands a slightly less obscure style o prose. Dr. Benjamin Bederson, chief editor o the American Physical Society, said the leat paragraph of every article in Physical Review Letters must oow be understandable to an physicist, not just those who happen to be expens in the article's arcane field.

After the first paragraph or two, the paper may still be written as a thicket of difficult equations, but at least the average physicists. who skims the top can oow usually guess wha

Physical Review will soon change the color ate of its journals' covers from turquoise green to ons separate colors for the different sections, secon they can be quickly distinguished from eacl according to bibrary shelves.

"We've beard some concern that this chang ha may be too flashy for some of our subscribers; at Dr. Bederson said, "but we must move with the

Library shelves around the world are groan ing under the collected volumes of Physica Review. Some scientists call the journal "th-

green plague."

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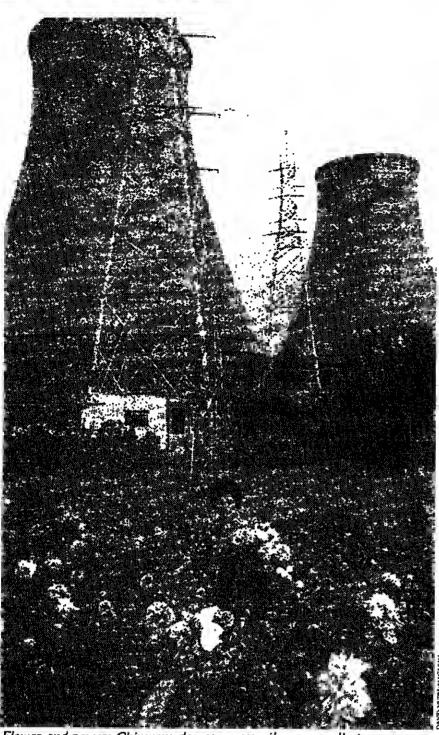


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The protection of the environment was once an unavoidable, government-Imposed obligation for the world'a induatrial companies. it was frequently seen as a cause of higher costs and competitive disadvantages. Today, environmental protection facilities are often accepted happity as a manufacturer'a second most important capital Investment. Most strikingly, technologies have taken industrial and household wastes and transformed them from an undesirable by-product of the production process into a prime source of high-quality raw materials and energy. Fifty percent recycling and reclamation rates are now common for many kinds of metals as well as for plastics, glaaa, paper and other secondary raw materiala. Building, equipping and operating environmental protection systems has become big business for many industrial companies. Finance for these systems is increasingly

coming from enterprising banks



and private investors. Flower and power: Chinmeys do not necessarily mean pollution.

Industry Welcomes Stricter EC Rules

More than two decades of increasingly strict environmental regulations have left their mark on Europe's industrial landscape. Facilities for treating waste are now integral parts of manufacturing systems and are capable of generating natural gas, reclaiming metals and producing slag. And Europe's companies are leaders in marketing their hard-won environmental expertise to third parties.

The list of environmental protection measures on the EC's agenda in the 1990s has been getting longer and longer. They now include taxes on energy use and on carbon dioxide discharges, mandatory recycling of products and packaging, stricter regulation of emissions, effluents and land-use, and increased prices for water and waste disposal

This catalogue would seem designed to incite the indignation of a profit-minded industrialist, but reaction from Europe's major manufacturers has remained surprisingly muted - for two good reasons. Firstly, experience has taught them that most national and international environmental laws turn out to have more hark than hite, Secondly, manufacturers are equipped (literally speaking) to handle new regulations with only a small increase in expen-

Over the last two decades, the EC's manufacturers have spent \$150 hillion on "scruhbers," sewage treat-

Problem: 120 million tons of garbage a year

ment plants and other environmental facilities, according to a recent estimate hy a German industrial consulting group. This enormous, long-term investment represents one-quarter of all private- and public-sector expenditures on environmental capital goods in the Community and has given manufacturers a vested interest in a pro-environment stance in the EC.

Supplying and servicing these fa-cilities has become a \$100 billion a year industry in the EC, and the German business monthly Impulse forecasts a doubling of that figure by

the year 2000. The size and sophistication of this market is demonstrated by one of its rising stars. Thermoselect of Italy, which has integrated material handling, degassing, pyrolysis and purification systems into a single waste-treatment unit.

For EC countries contending with a garbage disposal problem amounting to 120 million tons a year. Thermoselect (also the name of the entire treatment technology) is interesting for what it does not produce (dioxin and other noxious residues) as much as for what it does generate (a form of natural gas for use in electricity generation, reclaimed heavy and light metals, and slag for use in roads and huilding foundations).

As Thermoselect's experience shows, a decade of recycling and reclamation has given manufacturers another reason to support tougher measures: they produce cheaper raw materials. While rates of recycling in Northern Europe vary from 8 percent for plastics to 60 percent for paper, the effects have been gratifying, at least from the manufacturer's point of view. The abundance of recycled paper pulp on Europe's markets, for instance, has also depressed prices for wood-based pulp.

EC companies are also rethinking the market possibilities of used automobile tires, of which there are 200 million to dispose of each year around the world. Ultra-clean electricity power plants in California and Connecticut use tires as their source of energy. After having visit-ed these power plants, a number of major European companies are now proposing what they call "integrated services." According to this scheme, the companies are to take old tires from community dumps to new-generation power plants, with benefit to

be gained at both ends. Similar hridging functions are being carried out in Europe's largest land reclamation project: Lime reclaimed from industrial processes is being shipped to former strip mines in Eastern Germany and is being used to neutralize the sulfur residues left behind.

Another result of environmental

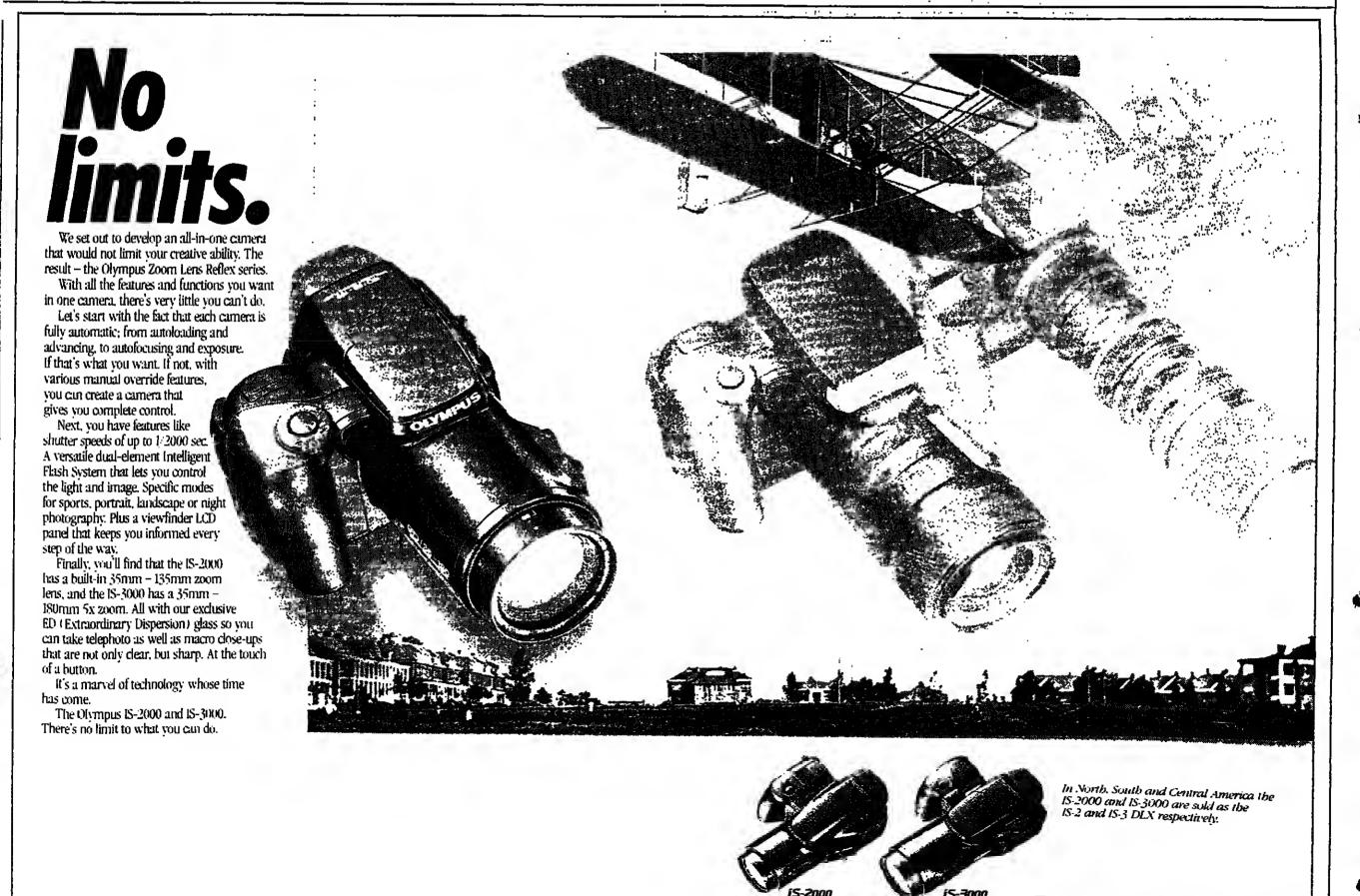
Solution: clean waste-treatment units

problems and increasingly extensive regulations has been the need for complex environmental protection systems and technologies. Community and regional government often have neither the capital nor expertise to meet them. Civil servants and politicians have agreed that Europe's industrial and energy giants must be the future builder-operators of the continent's water-treatment plants. land-reclamation projects and munitions-recycling and disposal

The only way we will be able to meet the EC's new, strict sewagetreatment standards is with facilities operated by the private sector," states Arnold Vaatz, minister for the environment of the German state of

Many companies are happy to heed the public sector's call, and hanks are eager to provide the finance. One example is offered hy Morgan Grenfell, the London-based merchant banking subsidiary of Deutsche Bank, which arranged 55 project-financing deals in 1992 with a total value of \$68.7 billion.

Terry Swartzberg



Clinton Soothes Fears of Industry

President Bill Clinton was elected with an unprecedented environmental mandate. Vice President Al Gore, the author of a huge best-seller on governmental policy toward the environment, naturally takes particular interest in this subject. Their election had industry leaders quaking.

Thus far, the new administration has moved cautiously. Mr. Clinton has taken a careful middle ground so as not to alienate private enterprise before a new deficit-reduction package takes effect, Still, most observers expect Mr. Gore to attempt to enact several proposals outlined in his book.

The vice president has already ensured that some

Ethanol: Clinton's pet project

White House and cabinet posts are filled with his associates, such as his former assistant Kathleen McGinty, now head of the new White House Office on Environmental Policy. Ms. McGinty, only 29, has alienated some oil executives with ber blunt talk of instituting an energy tax on oil that is double the tax on coal and natural

On the other hand, Mr. Clinton named Hazel O'Leary, a former executive with a power company, as secretary of energy, But Mrs. O'Leary is expected to be outflanked by the new bead of the Environmental Protection Agency, Carol Browner, another Gore associate.

Former Arizona Governor Bruce Babbitt headed a major private environmental group before becoming secretary of the interior. Such appointments represent a marked change from the laissez faire attitude - and appointments - of George Bush and Ronald Reagan.

Mr. Clinton's Environmental Protection Agency has been active on several issues, but Ms. Browner appears to be far from doctrinaire. For example, last month she visited Detroit to reassure the auto industry that, despite Mr. Clinton's campaign promises, she would go slowly in raising minimum fuel standards from 27 miles per gallon to 40.

More significantly, the agency decided to allow a controversial waste incinerator in East Liverpool, Ohio to conduct tests in spite of Mr. Gore's strenuous objections.

This may be part of a broader change in environmental policy taking place in the United States. Many are beginning to question specific initiatives complaining that the government has spent too much on certain problems -environmental costs are expected to grow by 50 percent within eight years

- while letting other problems go unresolved.

While governor of Ar-kansas, Mr. Clinton crin-cized the Superfund. which now spends \$2 billion a year cleaning up toxic waste sites. Other programs now under scrutiny include the removal of asbestos (nearly \$20 billion annually); and mea-sures against dioxin, which forced the evacuation of Times Beach, Missouri. Experts now maintain dioxin is not as dangerous as was once feared.

Mr. Clinton also retreated on raising the fees for cattle grazing on government-owned land - a sore point with environmentalists. The president was forced to back down after senators from several Western states threatened to withdraw their support from his economic-stimulus package.

Nevertheless, the Clinton administration, particularly the Environmental Protection Agency, is expected to target several in-dustries. Mr. Gore and others in the administration want the agency to be represented at cabinet level to give it even more regulatory clout.

Meanwhile, the govern-

ment is expected to ask manufacturers to ensure that computers become more energy efficient by using less electricity, requiring less climate control and having a huilt-in mechanism that shuts them down while not in use. One of Mr. Clinton's pet projects, the use of ethanol as a fuel, was written into the hudget despite widespread skepticism from the oil industry. which claims ethanol is not viable as a gasoline substitute. The administration is also expected to be much more wary about approving pesticides and to han many of those now

Finally, Mr. Clinton will have to confront environmental foreign-policy issues. Environmental groups have said that the North American Free Trade Agreement could be in jeopardy if the administration does not force Mexico to go after heavy industrial polluters along the U.S. border. And questions about acid rain and other standards threaten GATT negotiations with EC countries. Private industry will be following both issues closely in the months ahead.

Steve Weinstein

In Japan, 75 percent of the average automobile is recycled.

Japan's Aim: More Profit, Less Energy

As one of the world's most industrialized and energy efficient countries. Japan is forging both public and private strategies to improve environmental quality.

Given the country's limited supply of land and natural resources, the need is for long-term measures to balance what the government calls the "three Es" -environmental conservation, economic growth and energy supply/demand stabilization.

Strict regulation and industrial responses to environmental pollution began in the 1960s, when the economic boom's positive and negative

effects were becoming clearer. Even before the oil shocks of the 1970s, Japanese electronics producers had begun mass-producing solar cells, and automobile manufacturers had launched electric vehicle development projects to decrease the country's dependence on imported

oil supplies. In the 1970s and 1980s, the inventors of lean production demonstrated that they could be the world's leanest industrial consumers of energy and other inputs. Toyota used 30 percent less production energy ner vehicle in 1985 than in 1973.

Today, electronics firms, car makers, public utility companies, researchers and manufacturers work together to lower energy demand and diversify energy sources. The government's new Sunshine Project. for instance, supported Sanyo Electric's effort to increase the effective conversion efficiency of its amorphous solar cells to 12 percent.

Firms like Sanyo and Sharp have integrated solar technology into roof tiles, watches, air conditioners, satellites, airships and alternative-energy

With about 1,000 electric vehicles on the road, small fleets of cars and vans featuring sporty new looks and improved battery technology are being sold in increasing numbers in Japan. The government recently announced a plan to create a network of vehicle charging stations.

Firms are also trying to address the public's acute concern with land-

Solar cells become 12% more efficient

fill problems (documented by the research firm Infoplan in 1992) while reducing their own industrial wastes

through recycling.
The automobile industry emphasizes that more than 75 percent of the material in vehicles that have ended their useful lives is recycled in Japan. Nissan Motor Co., for instance, reuses about 77 percent of the total waste generated from production.

In many industries, corporations are reducing and altering the packaging materials they use. For instance, Olympus Optical Co., the camera, optical and precision instrument maker, now uses easily recycled and biodegradable materials to produce many of its camera packages, bags and see-through boxes.

These developments illustrate how Japanese companies can integrate environmentally friendly action into today's husiness operations to ensure their future prosperity, a strategy en-dorsed by the Federation of Economic Organizations (Keidanren) in its global environmental charter of

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In its exploration of appliances free of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), Sanyo created a natural gas-powered heating and cooling system that uses

a helium gas refrigerant. Sharp has developed a new type of vacuum insulating material for re-frigerators, while Matsushita, Hitachi and Sanvo have designed new refrigerator compressors that use CFC alternatives.

Manufacturers in the auto industry are abolishing the use of CFCs in air conditioners and in the process of cleaning and manufacturing parts. Olympus Optical eliminated the use of feron in its cleansing devices last month and introduced its own non-

chloring cleansing fluid. These environmental activities are an integral part of the Japanese endeavor to replace the vicious cycle of industrial development leading to environmental degradation with the more virtuous cycle of environmental protection spurring economic

Because of the country's past environmental difficulties and present economic strength, it is natural for Japan to be a pioneer in this field. says Kenichi Kiriyama, president of the Osaka International Trade Fair Commission.

The latest environmental conservation technologies from Japan and elsewhere will be featured this December at Osaka's global environniental technology show. "New Earth '93." Janet Purdy Levery Janet Purdy Levaux

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Asia Counts the Cost of Pollution

Until quite recently, the general attitude of Asian industry toward environmental awareness mirrored that of Malaysian Prime Minister Mahatir Mohamed. Most industrialists regarded Western insistence on "greenness" as a strategy designed to increase the costs and reduce the competitiveness of Asian goods.

Now, that attitude is changing. While yet to be fully convinced of the virtues of environmentalism. Asian companies are taking the first steps toward making their products ecologically friendly. In large measure, they are doing this in reaction to government regulation and the potential loss of sales. But Asia also has a small but promising industry

for cleanup technologies.
For frequent travelers around ia, attitudes cannot change fast enough. Just about every major city

Builders are installing more solar panels

in the region is covered by a brownish pall of smog, visible from tens of kilometers away. The smog is caused by unregulated or little-regulated in-dustrial processes based largely on fossil fuels.

Beijing, Calcutta, Jakarta, Bang-kok, Seoul, Kuala Lumpur and Manila are among the cines whose air contains more particulate matter or dangerous sulfur dioxide - or both - than the amounts recommended by the World Health Organization.

At ground level, waterways have also become reservoirs of pollution. Some small streams in Hong Kong are blackened by runoffs of the indigo dye used to make blue jeans. Less than half of the urban populations of Bangladesh, Indonesia and the Philippines have access to safe drinking

Those problems have been growing for several years. But three specific factors have caused the change in Asian industry's approach to

New government regulations in the United States and Europe have forced the region's high-technology industries, in particular, to adhere to sound ecological principles in order to keep exports flowing to their major markets. Asian governments themselves, increasingly aware of the damage that pollution can cause, are. now promulgating their own green dustry is realizing that cleaning up can save them money.

Outside influence forms perhaps the most immediate stimulus for Asian industry. "Sooner or later, manufacturers are going to find their environmental performance at home will be a criterion by which their product is judged by overseas buyers," says Stephen Lam, director of the Hong Kong-hased Centre for Environmental Technology. "The U.S. and European huyers are start-ing to demand higher quality from nonperformance factors in the products they import."

Government encouragement of greenness is most evident in Singapore. One imaginative scheme helped Singapore companies to deal with the CFC problem pre-emptively. In early 1990, the government started to auction permission for companies to use specific quantities of CFCs. As soon as they realized the cost of successful bids, the island republic's electronics companies started to change over to substitute products and technologies.

It is not just the electronics industry that must follow strict government regulations in Singapore. Companies wishing to enter the Singapore Science Park must satisfy the park committee that, among other things, their work will not cause pollution or abuse land.

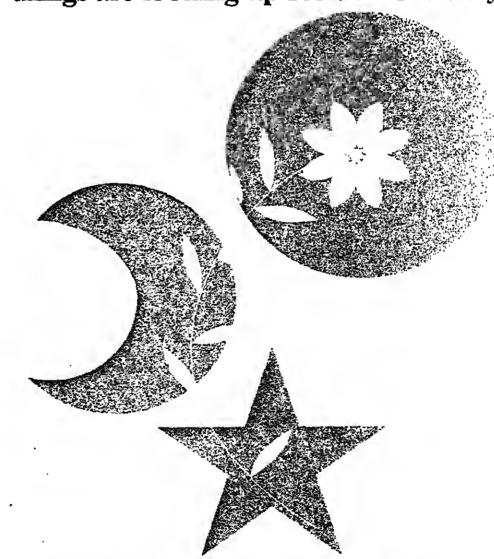
In some cases, governments bave had to wield a stronger stick. This month, Malaysia raised fines on palm-oil and rubber factories that dump effluent. Three years ago, the Hong Kong government closed a bleaching and dyeing works that had dumped untreated effluent into the Ho Chung River for 20 years. Another factory in the area took the hint and installed an effluent treatment plant

Companies are also making mon-ey directly from environmental awareness. Philippine inventor Elias Velenton sells panels to build bouses made of otherwise useless rice husks and concrete. A bandful of companies in India and China manufactures electric vehicles. In Hong Kong, Concordia Paper supplies the territory's manufacturers with packaging material made from 100 percent recycled paper.

Asian industry continues to moni-tor work in the laboratories. Two years ago, for example, hiochemist K.K. Mark of the Chinese University of Hong Kong isolated a hacterium capable of converting indigo dye into harmless, colorless substances. Since then, researchers at the Hong Kong Institute of Biotechnology have been improving the bug's capabilities; local companies have now started to hid for a piece of the technological action.

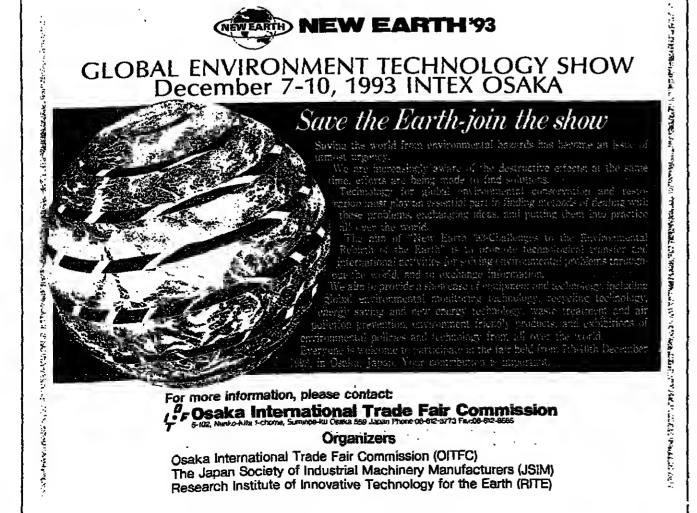
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TRADE: U.S. Plans Partial Sanctions on EC

ragged on for nearly seven years. Mr. Clinton announced recently that he would ask Congress to extend until Dec. 15 the deadline for completing the talks. Mr. Kaotor and Sir Leon expressed satisfaction with their preliminary discussions on how to wrap up the regotiations.

Mr. Kantor and Sir Leoo announced they would meet three more times and would later add other major trading partners with a goal of making substantial progress before leaders of the world's seven richest countries gather in Tokyo on July 6 for their annual meeting.

Mr. Clinton has said that he and other lead-ers would face severe embarrassment if they are unable to report progress by the time of the Tokyo meeting after the Group of Seven couo-tries have proclaimed year after year that they were on the verge of wrapping up the talks. Mr. Kantor said progress was made in sever-

al areas, including market access, which covers reducing tariff barriers to the flow of manufactured goods. The EC has favored a formula that would cut tariffs on manufactured goods by an average of 30 percent while the United States has pushed a zero-zero option in which it offered to eliminate tariffs oo certain products if its trading partners did the same.

[AP, Reuters, Bloomberg]

■ EC Ready to End Cattle Import Ban The EC Commission said Wedoesday it was part of the former Soviet Union, Poland, Hunready to end a bon on imports of live animals, meat and milk from Central and Eastern Eu-

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rope as early as next week but only if they agreed to tighter health controls, news services reported from Brussels.

The Commission imposed a one-month ban affecting 18 countries on April 8 following an outbreak of foot and mouth disease in Italy that was traced to imports of calves from Croatia.

"We are planning to get rid of the prohibition on imports of live animals if certain requirements are met," Farm Commissioner Rene Steichen said at a news conference in Strasbourg.

He said central veterinary agencies in export-

er countries would have to give advance notice of shipments to EC importers and issue numbered certificates. Live animals would have to be kept in isola-

tion for about two weeks under veterinary control before being exported, and animals exported for fattering would have to be blood tested.

It's not a political but a purely veterinary decision," Mr. Steichen said, adding that false certificates had been used to move diseased animals through countries free of the disease, such as Hungary and Poland.

He said the Commission proposal would be sent to the countries affected by the ban and the EC executive body would review their responses next week. If the necessary assurances were given the ban would be ended.

The EC ban, effective until May 10, covers imports from the former Yugoslavia, Albania. gary, the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

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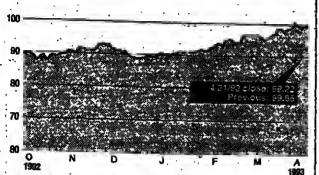
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International Herald Tribune, Thursday, April 22, 1993

International Herald Tribune World Stock Index e, composed of 230 internationally Investable stocks from 20 countries, compiled by Bloomberg Business News. Jan. 1, 1992 = 100.



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INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

By Stefan Fatsis

The Associated Press

Businesses are granting more incentives such as stock options or specialized stock awards, in which the payoff for executives arrives

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FW YORK — Is big pay shrinking in corporate Ameri-

Executive Stock Options:

Assessment of a Reform

Put Deeds in Spotlight, EBRD Says **High Spending Threatens to Upstage Annual Report** The bank's commitments to lend and in- you have to promise more than you have. To

LONDON - When Jacques Attali pre sents the annual report of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development on Thursday, the bank's lavish new London headquarters will probably receive more at-tention than a lending and investment performance that many insist is surprisingly good. "Starting two years ago with only an empty building and a book called the articles of agreement, it is remarkable that we have been

able to approve \$8 separate projects," said a senior diplomat who represents a West European country on the bank's board.

While many have been quick to criticize the bank lately for the splendor of its offices. some also point out that its achievements in making loans and investments in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union have

been substantial. Given all the problems on the ground in the countries they are dealing with, they bave to be applanded, "said Paul Reynolds, a di-rector at the Adam Smith Institute, a free-

vest last year totaled 1.2 billion European currency units (\$1.47 billion). Actual disbursements totaled 130 million Ecus. Both figures were roughly 15 percent below the bank's own goals and even further below the

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expectations raised by Mr. Attali, the bank's president, and some others to numerous pub-

Guy de Schiers, the bank's deputy head of merchant banking, explained the high-profile proclamations this way: "In the beginning

make an impact on the international scene.
you have to be a bit pushy." But that pushiness and overoptimism has

now hit a brick wall of reality in the 25 countries in which the bank operates. Some EBRD staffers talk about the "easy countries." The problem is that there are too few of those - mainly Poland, the Czech Republic and Hungary. "Of the all the countries in which we operate, how many are semistable enough to allow them to think long term? asked Thierry Baudon, a bank director, "A half dozen," he figures.

A Russian banker takes a sympathetic view, saying. The scale of problems in the former Soviet Union has just grown much faster than anyone's efforts to resolve them."

The EBRD's work was never expected to be a cake walk. It was created, after all, to do things that more risk-averse private banks dared not. It was also not supposed to duplicare the efforts of more semor development agencies such as the World Bank but to

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New Bank Client, Tiriac, Takes Center Court

LONDON -- Ion Tiriac, the Romanian tennis star turned tennis manager, sports promoter and Mercedes importer, will don one of his newer hats at the Monte Carlo Country Club on Thursday - that of a sober-sided

There he will announce that his Bucharestbased bank has found a prestigious iovestor: the European Bank for Reconstruction and

With his hulking frame, thick hair and outsized mustache, Mr. Tiriac was once described by the American writer John MePhee as having the "air of a man who is about to close a deal in a back room behind a back room." He talks of this latest in a long series of deals with his characteristic bluster and

"We could have gotten the money any-where," he said, but he warned the EBRD "for their know-how, for the technical help they can give us."

For a reported \$9 million, the EBRD will acquire 20 percent of the Ion Tiriac Commercial Bank and place two members on its board. Although Mr. Tirisc founded the bank two years ago and remains its largest shareholder, he steers clear of manage "I am not a banker," he said, "I leave that

to the bankers. For the EBRD, the glitzy sening of a country club - especially one to Monte Carlo may clash with its efforts to live down recent cress accounts of its own profligacy. But Mr. Tiriac has two chents among the players in the Monte Carlo Open tennis tournament — Boris Becker and Goran Ivanesevie - so London and Bucharest would not have been the most suitable venues.

While Mr. Tiriac is hardly anyone's idea of a typical banker, the same he has carried with him from his previous lives has stood him in good stead even in the graver realms of high finance. It was his fame that helped him to get a personal meeting with the EBRD president.

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U.S. TV Pursues International Partners

By Richard Covington

ecial to the Herold Tribune CANNES - American televisico producers, once too rich and too proud to need foreign investors, now are stumbling over one another to sign up European and Asian partners.

The deals with the highest profiles and the biggest investments at this week's MIP-TV global television market in Cannes all bore the

stamp of international co-productions.

That all-American fairy tale, "Scarlett," for instance, brought CBS and RHI Entertainment together with the Italian giant Silvio Bertusconi taFilm, owned by the Kirch organization.
When the eight-hour miniseries airs next year, there is little fear that the \$40 million production investment will be gone with the wind.

CBS has been a leader in the field, announcca, or are executives just getting it in different ways? As reports of 1992 executive pay packages roll in, companies and pay experts are bragging about a new environment in which more corporate bosses are being forced to earn their ing three additional co-production deals with Berlusconi and the creation of a literary department to scout material specifically suited for the partnership. In a separate arrangement with TFI of France, the American network will originate four made-for-TV mystery movies. All told, CBS plans a minimum investment of \$40 million to \$50 million in international coproduction for the next year.

"It used to be that co-production was just about money," said Jeff Sagansky, president of CBS Entertainment, "We would produce and they would finance. Those days are over. Ourforeign partners don't want to be simply passive investors. They want to be in on production from the beginning.

With the American audience fragmenting as cable television's ever more oumerous competi-tors erode the broadcast networks' audience share, the networks have turned to foreign investors, particularly to linance the sort of blockbuster programming by which they hope to drive up ratings "Russia in the '90s," a \$12 million co-produc-

oon of Worldvision and Milan-based Cecco Films, was the most prestigious of the crop of current ventures. Six iconoclastic film directors Peter Bogdanovich, Lina Wertmuller, Ken Russell, Jean-Lue Godard, Werner Herzog and Nobuhiko Obbsyashi — have signed on to make an hour-long segment each, examining aspects of the splintered country. The series is due for its first showing on Turner Network Television in the spring of 1994.

Berhisconi, a hillion-dollar media concern under the Fininvest umbrella, is relying increasingly on American partners. In addition to CBS, the Italian group has co-productions in the works with USA Network, Tribune Enter-tainment and Blake Edwards Television, as well as Gaumont Television of France and Beta-

Amid this frenzy of activity by the commer-cial sector, American public television has been notably absent except for Maryland Public TV - which scored a press-relations coup here by launching a six-part documentary series. "Seapower: A Global Journey," aboard a Russian bauleship. The \$2.5 million series, a co-production with Britain's Central Independent Televiese network NHK, RTP of Por tugal and KRO of the Netherlands - works wonders on a budget that is minuscule by commercial TV's standards.

Raymond Ho, president and chief executive of Maryland Public Television, took note of the absence of his colleagues from this work's gathering of the leading lights of world television, asking why "the network that has done the most to improve the quality of television in America" was "all but invisible here."

He added that if the Public Broadcasting System did not take an active role in the inter-national marketplace, "we could end up being a footnote in the history of broadcasting."

Yen's Rise Bodes Well for Japan, **But Not Just Yet** By Paul Blustein Washington Past Service

TOKYO - Endaka, the strong yen, is back with a vengeance. That means good things for Japan in the long run, Japanese officials believe — including a rise in purchasing power, an upgrade in the manufacturing base, and a reduction in the politically troublesome trade surplus.

But in the short run, officials fear, the yen's rapid rise is threatening to make Japanese goods too expensive on world markets before companies have a chance to streamline themselves. The result could be a lengthening of Japan's recession, plus at least a temporary swelling of the trade surplus.

The high anxiety over the adverse short-run effects was underscored Wednesday in remarks by cabinet ministers, who sought to jawbone the dollar-yen rate into reverse after it touched a postwar low of 109.90 yen per dollar in Tokyo currency trading. Thanks partly to heavy dollar-buying by the Bank of Japan, the rate rose slightly to close at 110.35 in Tokyo. and later edged up to 110.625 at the close in New York.

Kabun Muto, the foreign minisier, took a poishoi at a recent comment by President Bill Clinton that bas been the principal factor behind the yen's surge this week. "It is highly unusual and regret-

table for the head of any country to comment on exchange rates, as he is not in charge of financial matters," said Mr. Muto, referring to Mr. Clinton's statement Friday that the strengthening of the yen should help reduce trade imbalances between the United States

Although he himself holds little

legislative panel that Tokyo woulhe asking the other six members of the Group of Seven industrialize countries for help in stabilizing th yen through concerted central ban intervention. Traders called the re mark foolish, and voiced doubt that the G-7 finance ministers, wh are meeting next week in Washing ton, would go along with the Japa

nese reduest. Finance Minister Yoshiro Huya shi also weighed in in hopes braking the yen's appreciation which he predicted will be a "ten: porary phenomenon.

Mr. Hayashi said the currency 11.5 percent rise since early Fehru ary already puts Japanese industr in a "tough environment," and further boost would "put a lid o domestic demand," according 1

Kyodo news service. Behind such worries about th near-term impact of enduka though, Japanese officials envision plenty of eventual gains, Indeed, rough consensus can be founamong Japanese financial authoriues, U.S. officials and many pri vale economists that a long-run ut ward move in the yen would benefit both the Japanese and America economies, though perhaps only at

ter a lag of a year or more. A small but vivid illustration c L one benefit — lower import price is. — came Wednesday when th Seivu supermarket chain said the pro it was staging a special promotio on U.S. beef, reducing the price b ons 30 percent at 130 outlets in an ecer around Tokyo, and may soon slas acprices on imported clothing.

The move was an example of he broader phenomenon: As the ye at goes up, Japan becomes richer, b. h. cause it can buy more from over c See YEN, Page 12

France Plans to Cut Cabinet's Pay by 10%

dur, plans to trim ministers' pay by 10 percent to help plug the budget deficit and send a message of thrift ahead of expected tax rises, the government said Wednesday.

The cut would save a trickle of money — less than 1.6 million francs (\$300,000) — compared with the flood of budgetary red ink estimated at 330 billion francs this year.

But the sacrifice would carry symbolic weight within the aus-terity package Mr. Balladur is expected to announce next

"It is quite natural that those who demand the efforts set an example," the government spokesman, Nicolas Sarkozy, said. "Even if the move is symbolic, there are symbols that

speak loudly and count."
Ministers have already been ordered to slash entertainment

expenses, cut private staff and PARIS - France's new use commercial airlines instead prime minister. Edouard Balla- of state-owned executive planes. But those measures have been derided for not requiring personal sacrifices from

We must suck with the French people, especially those who are out of a job," said Michele Alliot-Marie, youth and sports minister.

Cabinet ministers earn about 45,000 francs a month, six times the average national wage. They also receive fringe benefits in-

eluding housing, cars and travel.

The planned salary cut was disclosed by the saturical and investigative weekly Le Canard Enchaine, which said Mr. Balladur was also prepared to delay pay rises for 2.6 million civil

servants. would save 10 billion francs and would be announced when a revised budget was presented to

the cabinet on May 5.

Mercedes Readies C-Class, Pricing to Sell

options-holder loses prove company performance. "There's more and more emphasis being put on stock pay-ment rather than cash," said nothing.

Judy Fisher, publisher of Executive Compensation Reports, a newsletter in Fairfax, Virginia. Colgate-Palmolive Co., for instance, awarded its chief executive. Reuben Mark, options to buy I million shares of Colgate stock.

He can buy bundles of stock over as long as 10 years, if the price hits targets from about \$61 to \$100. The stock was trading at \$59 on the New York Stock Exchange on Wednesday. Colgate stock has advanced about 20 percent annually since Mr. Mark took over in 1984. But it will have to rise a further 80 percent to enable him to

exercise all his options. The rising popularity of such incentives is viewed as a bow to shareholders. Heat over executive pay in the last two years has led

to increased disclosure of compensation practices, rising influence of corporate watchdogs and congressional hearings.

But some activists say deals such as stock options are just another form of guaranteed hig pay. Graef Ciystal, an executive pay watchdog, says the size of option grants increased sixfold in the last decade, while corporate performance has not necessarily improved. decade, while corporate performance has not necessarily improved

that much, and salaries have not fallen.

Mr. Crystal points out that if a stock price falls, the executive who is holding options loses nothing, while shareholders — who paid for the stock — see the value of their investment dwindle.

Also, options can be granted when a stock is poised to rise, and executives can cash in when shares look like they're heading down.

Still, the boom in stock options is expected to continue for a while. As Mr. Crystal sees it, "Stock options are sort of the best of a bad breed of ways to tie pay to performance."

By Brandon Mitchener International Herold Tribune
STUTTGART — If its new C-

class cars represent the future of Mercedes-Benz, customers have reason to rejoice, but investors might be well advised to buckle up for a rough ride. The cars, which raced from

drawing board to assembly line in just 40 months, 10 percent faster than the average Mercedes, promise "more car for the money." Prices start around 40,000 Desische marks (\$25,000), the same as the 10-year-old 190 series that the class replaces, but the cars come loaded with standard features that had to be bought as options before.

The basic model comes with an airbag, antilock brakes, a fivespeed engine and central door locks, for example. Just three centimeters (1.16 inches) larger than the

Mercedes plans to build 120,000 of the cars this year and wants to sell more than 200,000 cars to 1994, taking direct aim at the lower end of the luxury car market that had been all but surrendered to Japa-nese competitors over the past few

"We are confident we'll take a somewhat larger share of the world market pie with the new car," Klaus-Dieter Vöhringer, the Mercedes board member responsible for production, told reporters at a prelaunch briefing on Wednesday. He added that the car was the first Mercedes conspicuously priced to sell, as opposed to being priced according to production costs.

That is good news for many Mer-cedes fans who never lost their af-fection for the German cathedrals

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on wheels even as they increasingly one London analyst, who asked to remain anonymous. "I'm sure "The taxi todustry is expecting a

lot of this series," said Peter Kristan, head of the Stuttgart area's taxi association. "Everyone who has seen it has been mesmerized," he added, calling special attention to the gain to leg room, important for people who spend their days be-

Mercedes's share of the local taxi fleet has declined from 98 percent a few years ago to just 70 percent today, Mr. Kristan noted. At the same time, the car gets rave

reviews from potential customers. However, it gets a word of caution from analysts worried about whether a sales success for Mercedes will translate into an earnings success for Mercedes's parent company, Daimler-Benz AG. "It has been priced to sell, but

remain anonymous. "I'm sure when this car was originally conceived, they expected to be able to pass along a big price increase, as Mercedes has traditionally done in the past. It must burt to sell it at the same price as its predecessor."

Also, the car's sales will not translate into profits until after the investment of 1.8 billion DM is paid off, probably a few years down the road.

Mr. Vöhringer, in fact, said the cars in the new C-class would have cost 20 percent more than their predecessors if it had not been for a series of emergency changes. including a shift from conveyor-belt to small-group assembly and a streamlined management structure.





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Bayer Says Daimler Capitulated

LEVERKUSEN, Germany -The chemical concern Bayer AG has criticized Daimler Benz AG's plan to list its shares on the New York Stock Exchange as a "capitulation" to U.S. regulatory authorities.

Bayer's linance chief, Helmut Loehr, told the newspaper Kölner Stadt-Anzeiger that German business had once been united in its refusal to bow to the demands of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission regarding financial disclosures, but that was no longer the case.

Daimler said March 30 it would publish more financial data so it could become the first German company to get a listing on Wall Street.



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Airline Issues Rise In Mixed Market

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches NEW YORK - Slock prices rended lower nn Wednesday, al-hnugh airline issues pushed higher n a better-than-expected earnings eport by AMR Corp.
The Dow Jones industrial aver-

ge fell 4.05 points, to 3,439,44.

N.Y. Stocks

hile declining issues on the New ork Stock Exchange outnumered advancers by a small margin. Aost of the indexes of large-com-any stocks reflected the slight deline in the Dow industrials, but he Nasdaq over-the-counter index ose 2.07, to 664.04, and the Amerian Stock Exchange index was up ..62, 10 419.03.

The most notable move was a 0.75 point rise in the Dow Jones ransportation average, which losed at 1,665.76. The advance as spurred by rises in the large J.S. airlines, advancing on good ews from AMR, the parent of umerican Airlines.

AMR's \$22 million loss was only alf what had been expected, and lespite cautionary statements from s chairman, investors seemed to e betting that the suffering U.S. irline industry would see an imrovement this year. The sharpest ain among the stocks was in UAL, arent of United, which rose 9% to 49%. It was followed by AMR, up

6 to 714; Delta, which gained 24 to 594; and USAir, ahead 14 to

Wal-Mart was the most-active New York Stock Exchange issue, up is to 26½. The retailer's shares have shumped in recent weeks on worries about its sales and general concerns for retailers.

Chrysler was second, down % to 39%. Its shares have been dropping since it reported a steep fall in earnings on Monday, although the decline was caused by an accounting change.

Jostens was third, slumping 79 to 19 after a rating downgrade from Kemper Securities. Late Tuesday, the maker of class rings and year-books reported financial thirdquarter earnings of 12 cents a share, compared with 22 cents a year ago.

TIG Holdings Inc. was off 1/4 at 24%. The former Transamerica Corp. unit began trading Tuesday with an initial offering of 44.2 mil-lion shares at \$22,625 a share. The spin-off represented part of Transamerica's plan to get out of the property- and casualty-insurance business and focus on its core financial and life-insurance opera-tions. Transamerica was 114 lower at 50% despite reporting first-quar-

(UPI, Bloomberg, AP)

YEN: Good for Japan, but Not Yet

Continued from first finance page) eas and sell less of its own output n exchange. Or, as a senior Bank of apan official put it a few days ago: A higher value for the yen means hat Japanese will have to pay less or foreign products; the value pro-luced by Japanese workers will be nore highly priced in the world narket. In that sense, the rising rend in the ven — provided it's radual — is all right."

Moreover, policy makers say, ased on the last experience with ndaka in the 1980s, Japanese comsanies are sure to respond by shift-ng their lower-skill, lower-wage obs overseas - especially to Asia -and reserving their Japanese facories for higher-skill, higher-wage

As for the impact oo Japan's rade surplus, officials voice confilence that a stronger yen will transate - after a year or two - into a ig boost in imports and slowing of xport growth.

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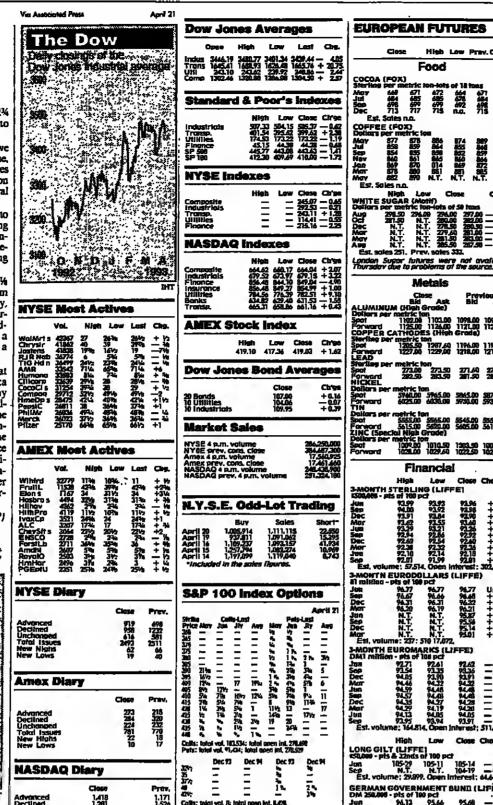
More importantly, a continued rise in the yen would have a "masof the Bank of Japan.

■ Dollar Closes Higher

The dollar rose against European ompanies and consumers to News reported from New York.

The dollar rose to 1.5998 DM ones. Meanwhile, the weakness of from 1.4600, and to 5.4020 French

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sive impact" oo export industries. Amoco Chief Gets Pay Cut

CHICAGO — The chief executive of Amoco Corp., H. Laurance Fuller, received 3.2 percent less pay last year than in 1991, making him For one thing, endaka will al-nost surely make Japan's traders bet that the Bundesbank receive an increase in cash compensation in 1992.

nost surely make Japan's trade traders bet that the Bundesbank proposed over the next few would cut interest rates at a meeting and consumers to Thursday, Bloomberg Business loop and consumers to the surely su previous year. In 1990, be received \$1,487,135.

The Amoco board said Mr. Fuller's lower pay reflected the company's products to lower-priced foreign from 1.5968, to 1.4565 Swiss francs performance as it restructured, sold assets and made accounting changes that reduced net despite higher operating profits. Amoco had a 1992 loss of \$74 million, compared with oet income of \$1.17 billion in 1991.

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AT&T Profit Rose 12% in Quarter

BOSTON (AP) — American Telephone & Telegraph Co. said Wednesday its first-quarter profit had risen 12 percent before a special \$7 billion charge to comply with new accounting rules for retirement benefits.

That charge dropped AT&T to a net loss of \$5.6 billion, or \$4.19 per share, for the three-month period that ended March 31. That compared with net income of \$883 million, or 67 cents per share, for the first quarter of 1992. Not counting the one-time charge, AT&T would have reported net income of \$996 million, or 74 cents per share.

"Accounting changes aside, this was a good quarter and 1 am confident it augurs well for the remainder of the year," said Robert E. Allen, chairman of the New York-based telephone company, at the annual shareholders meeting in Boston.

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AMR Has Lower Loss Than Expected

FORT WORTH, Texas (Bloomberg) — AMR Corp., the parent company of American Airlines, reported a first-quarter loss Wednesday that was less than half what analysts expected.

AMR reported a net loss of \$22 million, or 43 cents a share, for the quarter ended March 31, compared with profit from continuing operations of \$8 million, or 10 cents a share, for the first quarter of last year.

AMR's loss was less than half the 91 cents a share predicted by a mach AMR's loss was less than half the 91 cents a share predicted by a mean

stimate of 10 analysts surveyed by Zacks investment Research. The 1992 results do not include accounting charges of \$595 million.

Including the charges, the airline reported a net loss of \$452 million. or \$6.15 a share. Separately, AMR's chief financial officer, Michael Durham, said he

expected the code-sharing agreement between British Airways PLC and USAir Group Inc.'s USAir unit would cost the U.S. airline industry as a whole \$500 million in revenues diverted away from them.

Compaq's European Sales Rise 59%

PARIS (Bloomberg) — European sales by Compag Computer Corp. totaled \$673 million in the first quarter of this year, up 72 percent in localtotaled \$673 million in the first quarter of this year, up 72 percent in total-currency terms and 59 percent in dollar terms compared with a year earlier, Andreas Barth, Compaq's senior vice president and general manager for Europe, said Wednesday.

Mr. Barth, speaking from Houston in a telephone interview, said Europe now accounted for some 42 percent of Compaq's worldwide sales.

Earlier Wednesday, the company announced record global sales of \$1.6 billion in the first quarter ended March 31, a 106 percent increase from \$783 million a very corlier.

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Worldwide, the company's net income rose to \$102 million in the first quarter, up 126 percent from \$45 million a year earlier.

Bristol-Myers Earnings Jump 90.6%

NEW YORK (UPI) — Bristol-Myers Squibb Co., the world's second-largest drug company, reported Wednesday that its first-quarter earnings bad jumped 90.6 percent.

The New York-based Bristol-Myers said its earnings rose to \$574.7 million, or \$1.11 a share, from \$301.5 million, or 59 cents a share, in the

same quarter a year ago.
Sales-during the first quarter rose to \$2.75 billion, from \$2.64 billion in

the year-ago period.

Bristol-Myers said U.S. sales were particularly strong, increasing 7 percent, and international revenue increased 1 percent, or 6 percent excluding the effect of exchange-rate fluctuations.

Defense Contractors Boost Earnings

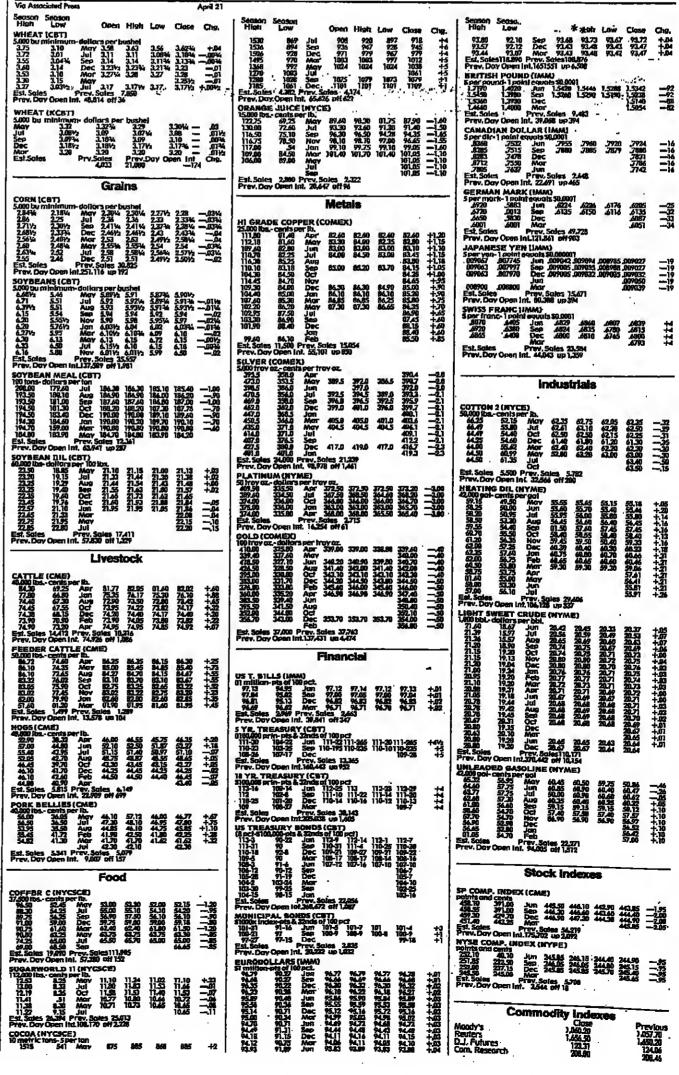
ST. LOUIS, Missouri (AP) - McDonnell Douglas Corp. and General Dynamics Corp. reported Wednesday improved results for the first quarter.

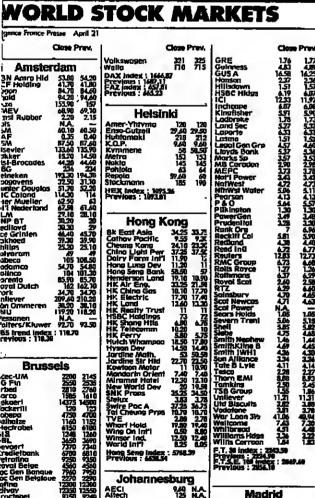
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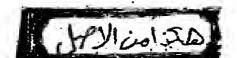
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Provisional Bundesbank figures Wednesday showed the M-3 measure of the money supply rose 3.2 percent in March, far above expecof contraction.

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The Wednesday developments bit stocks the most visibly among financial markets. The DAX indicator fell 20.24 points, to 1.666.87, depressed by receding hopes for a substantial rate cut on Thursday.

Bond prices fell about 0.38 point, raising the yield on the 10-year bund to 6.61 percent from 6.58 percent. Traders said attention was focused on the Bundesbank council meeting. Few expected a change in

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Lingering bopes for a Bundes-bank rate cut were fueled by the central bank's announcement that it would hold a news conference after its meeting Thursday to present its

In the past, the bank has often, but not invariably, scheduled a news conference following council meetings in which it changed monetary policy. But it said the Thursday briefing was because of growing public interest in the various aspects of the central bank's accounts. (Reuthe key discount rate, currently 7.5 ters. AFP, Knight-Ridder, Bloom

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Cartier: Snobbery With Mass Appeal Firm Polishes Prestige Image at Its Own Trade Fair

By Avril Connard Special to the Herald Tribune

GENEVA - Alam Dominique Perrin, the Cartier president, is not a popular man in Basel this week

The world'a most prestigious name in haute ewelry, along with other famous brands -Baume & Mercier, Piaget and Yves St. Laurent - will not be among the 2,200 exhibitors at the annual jewelry trade fair that opened there Wednesday for 10 days-the largest such exposition in the world.

Instead, Mr. Perrin will be oiling the wheels of business with champagne and five-star hotels for 4,000 of his best customers at a rival event in nearby Geneva. Rather than do business side by side with Asian stands hawking the inevitable Cartier copies, Mr. Perrin has created the Salon International de la Hante Horlogerie at the Palais des Expositions outside Geneva. His show runs through Friday.

"Basel is too big and too crowded," said Mr. Perrin. "It smelled of sausages and hot dogs, and with children running around it had all the atmosphere of a fair. This is not the kind of environment that a luxury-goods

company such as Cartier wants to be seen in. The decision to pull out of the Basel fair after 20 years reflects a marketing philosophy that has made Paris-based Cartier one of the most successful companies in the luxury-goods field, with annual sales of 1.8 billion Swiss

francs (\$1.3 billion). Its nearest rival, Tiffany & Co. of New York, is one-third the size.

Mr. Perrin, 50, who started with the company as a lighter salesman 24 years ago and has been president for the last 17, is responsihle for the strategy that has kept the magic of the Cartier name at the same time as creating

a wider market for the company's products. "Perrin has achieved the most amazing juggling act," said Paul Beaufrere, an analyst at the James Capel brokerage in London. "He has managed to make the product more pop-ular at the same time as retaining its elitist

Cartier spends 120 million francs annually communicating the right message at top-notch events such as Cartier Polo in Britain, at which Prince Charles is a player and Queen Elizabeth

traditionally presents the winner's cup.

Despite the recession bitting much of the world, privately held Cartier had a 7.6 percent increase in operating profit, in £163.6 million (\$252 million) in the financial year ended March 31, 1992, Cartier's five leading markets are Italy, Hong Kong/Far East, France, the United States and Japan, in that order.

And Mr. Perrin says that the sale of snobbery is booming, particularly at Cartier's shops in London and New York. In London, sales of "high jewelry" have soared during the recession, with items costing more than \$100,000 increasing up to 70 percent.

wishing to seduce other people." Mr. Perrin explained. "The gift is a way of connecting a man and a woman and that is what our business is about. Jewelry is forever. Can you see millions of women giving it up?"
In the past, there have been rumors that

Cartier might be floated on international stock markets. But Mr. Perrin shudders at the idea. "Just the idea of being listed beside a company with the name Caterpillar would break the Cartier magic," he says.

Cartier is 53 percent controlled by the Swiss offshore conglomerate Richemont, which is quoted on the bourses in Zurich and Johannesburg. Richemont also controls the British tobacco company Rothman's, which in turn owns the remaining 47 percent of Cartier.

Like other names in the luxury-goods industry, Cartier was for most of its 146-year

history run not as a company but as a small, family shop working for an elite clientele. Mr. Perrin argued that Cartier should adopt a "brand umbrella strategy" and launch a less-costly line of goods under the name "Le Must de Cartier." The line featured middle-market goods such as wallets. lighters, fountain pens, and even a \$1,200 "American" Tank watch. Cartier's priciess

watch costs more than \$1.2 million. "Le Must" has since proved to be Cartier's most successful commercial venture, accounting for 25 percent annual growth in the "In our culture you will always have people - 1980s and more than half of annual sales.

Volvo Chairman **Defends His Pay** Of \$1.36 Million

GOTHENBURG, Sweden -Volvo Chairman Pehr Gyllenhammar, under fire for allegedly living bigh in recessionary times for Sweden, defended his salary Wednesday and said it would be "simpleminded" for him to ask for less.

In a news conference at the company's annual meeting. Mr. Gyllenhammar said that his own basic annual salary since 1990 of almost 10 million kronor (\$1.36 million) was "not too high" and was "ap-propriate in view of the work I have done for Volvo."

But Mr. Gyllenhammar said the

severance-pay rules under which Volvo's former chief executive, Christer Zetterberg, received 22.8 million kronor had been made in 1989, when many senior executives were concerned about the possible effects of Volvo's alliance with Renault SA on their careers.

"It was agreed that senior executives who lost their jobs would receive the equivalent of three years' salary in severance payments," Mr. Gyllenhammar said. He said he agreed that the severance levels were too high and needed to be reviewed. He said 22 executives had benefited from the provision.

Press reports putting Mr. Gyllenhammar's income at 13 million kronor a year had included pay for directorships, both within Volvo lieve that these market conditions and outside, and bonuses over the past five years, be said.

Mr. Gyllenhammar, who has been criticized by a Swedish shareholders' association for his own and other directors' salaries, said it was not so much a question of ethics or morality as one of what the company's competitors were

paid, both in Sweden and abroad. Pressed by journalists to justify his salary at a time of soaring un-

lenhammar said he would consider reducing it only if many other managers took such a step first.

I am not thinking of going to the board and asking for a pay cut. That would be simple-minded. he

Soren Gell, Volvo's managing director, told the news conference that Volvo planned to cut costs by 45 billion kronor a year through 1995. He described the car market in Europe as "extremely weak and on its way down," pressed by overcapacity that is putting downward pressure on prices. But he said, there were positive signs in the Linited States. especially in truck sales.

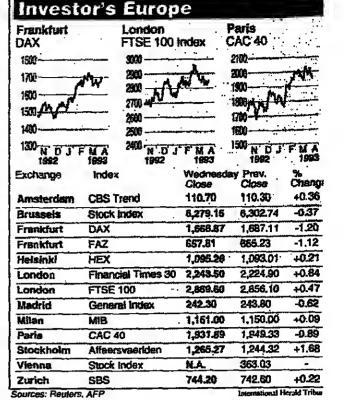
'lt is tough, heavy and very difficult in the whole group, but there is a faint glummer of light," he said. Volvo had a record pretax loss of 3.51 billion kremor in 1992, after a pretax profit of 1.1 billion kronor the year before, and cut its divi-

dend for the first time. Mr. Gyll refused to give any first-quarter figures or make any forecasts about Volvo's performance in 1993.

Volvo's total sales in 1992 were 83 billion kronor, of which 51.6 billion kronor came from Europe. Mr. Gell said the domestic Swedish car market was operating at 1940s levels. "We bope and be-

won't continue," he said. Volvo has said it would close two carmaking plants in Sweden, at Kalmar and Uddevalla, which in 1992 had a combined output of 39,000 vehicles.

Mr. Gyll said this would still leave the company with a production capacity of 300,000 cars a year. far above current market needs. which he estimated at 215,000 cars. (Penters, AFX, Bloomberg)



Very briefly:

 NedRoyd NV said weakness in its most important markets and pressure on container rates gave it a net loss of 58 million guilders (\$32 million) i

1992 after a net profit of 145 million guilders in 1991. Assurances Générales de France said net profit fell to 1.495 billio francs t5278 milliont in 1992, from 2.690 billion francs the year before and said results should be stable or would improve this year.

 Christles International PLC is buying the 300-year-old coin, medal an oriental-art specialist Spink & Son Ltd., for £7.1 million (\$10.9 million Spink will take over Christies' coins and medals department.

• Philips Electronics NV has signed a letter of intent with Russia produce color televisions in Siberia, the Dutch ANP news agency said · Compagnie de Suez said it should be profitable this year, but added the the French real estate crisis that pushed it to a 1.9 billion franc loss i 1992 should continue, and only lower interest rates could help offset it

effects on group results. Klöckner-Werke AG said it had agreed to sell Klöckner Edelstal GmbH to a group of investors, including Jurgen Grossmann, forme-management board chairman of the two companies.

Air France Posts 3.27 Billion Franc Loss

PARIS - The French flag carrier, Air France, plunged to its largest-ever loss in 1992, reflecting the

recession in the airline industry worldwide, price-cutting on trunk North Atlantic routes and continuing high costs, officials of the airline said Wednesday. The carrier's consolidated net loss widened to 3.27 billion French

francs (\$606 million) last year,

from 685 million francs in 1991.

loss of 717 million francs, takes cumulative losses over the past three years to 4.67 billion francs.

That combined with its 1990

"This is a lot of money, even by the standards of a state-owned European airline," said Simon Goodfellow, an analyst at Baring Securities in London.

Last year's loss included one-time lion francs, linked in a change in the cent to 21 billion francs,

Sales fell to 57 billion francs last year, from 57.6 billion francs the year before.

Passenger traffic rose 4 percent and freight traffic 0.4 percent in volume terms, the company said. Sales from passenger traffic rose 1.9 percent to 37.6 billion francs.

Air France had an operating loss of 1.5 billion francs last year, while exceptional provisions of 723 mil-net financial charges rose 6.7 per-

subsidiaries broke even last year. fts domestie airline unit. Air-Inter. had a net loss of 68.6 million francs. on sales of 11.13 billion francs, while its charter arm. Air Charter, lost 79.9 million francs on sales of 1.49 billion.

Groupe Meridien, which manages the airline's Meridien hotel chain, made a consolidated net profit of 112 million francs on sales of 1.32 billion francs.

Austria Stands Behind Hard Schilling

VIENNA - Austria remains fully committed to its hard-schilling policy and a currency devaluation could only damage the country's economy, the National Bank presi-dent. Maria Schaumayer, said Wednesday.

"Abandoning our successful hard-curren-cy policy would result in a loss of credibility as well as higher interest rates in the long term," she said at a news conference.

Ms. Schaumayer was announcing a record operating surplus at the central bank last year of 14.32 billion schillings (\$1.28 billion), up from 11.97 hillion schillings the year before. Net profit declined to 10.2 billion schillings. from 12.13 billion.

Foreign-exchange reserves at the central bank rose to 130,17 billion schillings, also a record, from 102.7 billion schillings.

Ms. Schaumayer said that a weaker currency in Austria. which sends four-fifths of its exports to countries that did not devalue in last autumn's European exchange-rate tur-moil, would gain little in export competitiveness but would have to pay more for imports.

"A sudden one-off devaluation would

bring only disadvantages to the Austrian economy," she said.

She added that Austria had been able to exploit market fundamentals to make interest-rate cuts, so that rates are now significantly below levels in Germany.

She reminded the government not to lose sight of inflation, which, at 4.1 percent last year, was relatively high.

And although Austria's budget deficit will

overshoot its target this year due to the economic slowdown, borrowing must be kept under control in the long run, she said.

EBRD: Seeking to Shift Spotlight From Spending to Completed Projects (Continued from first finance page) that will make investments in small was the right investment," accordthat means its clients building a ing to Mr. Tiriac. ng to Mr. Tiriac. Even when the bank agrees to a road, for example, would have to open the bidding for paving mainnovate, largely by concentrating and medium-sized companies in

its resources on the private sector which the EBRD's charter stipu-

lates must receive three-fifths of its And if the pace of the bank's overall commitments and disbursements has fallen short of its targets. its ability to find any projects in the private sector, much less innovative ones, has proven even more disap-

"The public sector is easier," ad-

mitted Anders Ljungh, the bank's vice president for finance. "You have your discussions with the government, agree your projects and Only in recent months has the

bank begun to live up to its mandate to innovate.

"In the meantime, it is true that we did quite a bit of 'World Bank lookalike' lending." tions dreams of the EBRD's creators are on the horizon. They

"It took us a year and a half to turn the first innovative products around," Mr. Baudon conceded.

At last, however, the more ambirange from investments in private road-building projects in Hungary to private water-treatment plants Eastern Europe.

Moreover, as an institution with one foot in the private sector, the EBRD is also beginning to show signs of the speedier and less bureaucratic approach that was supposed to be one of its hallmarks. A senior British banker who has worked with the bank in Romania describes its actions as "imaginative and quick."

Peter Stredder, who heads the EBRD's privatization team in Russia proudly describes how the bank was able to organize a public auction of two large food companies. in just six weeks. Other EBRD staffers point to the three weeks it took the bank to buy a \$30 million stake in Cokodadny, a big

Czech chocolate company. More typical, however, is the 18 months it took the bank to decide to invest in the Ion Tiriac Commercial Bank in Bucharest. The problem was simple, and altogether typical in the fledgling East Euro-pean private sector. The bank had just been founded in April 1991,

deal, EBRD staffers bave discovered, that is no assurance that it will get done. The bank has a mounting stack of projects that have received the blessing of its board, yet languish in limbo. A 200 million Deutsche mark

(\$126 million) loan to help Volkswagen finance the purchase of the Czech carmaker Skoda won aproval in November but remains on hold as VW reconsiders whether to proceed in light of its weakened financial position.

Five oil projects in the former Soviet Union have won EBKL funding commitments totaling \$223 million in the last few months. yet all remain on the shelf awaiting foreign-partner or government ap-

"It is more difficult than we expected," said the bank's Mr. de

More often, the problems crop up even later in the process, when it comes time in actually spend the money. EBRD staffers say that,

chinery to international competi-In the past, Mr. Baudon said, the state built the roads, with the highway agency allotted a specific

amount of concrete, macadam and machinery to do the job, but "now we are telling them they have to find the lowest-cost financing and the lowest-cost execution." So bogged down has the process

become that the bank, in essence, has had to provide technical assistance to various countries just so that they could comply with the bank's own rules on procurement One of Mr. Attali's greatest suc-

cesses is that he has been able to wring out of various governments and bodies such as the European Community special funds to provide that technical assistance on a grant basis.

As a bank set up to do business strictly on commercial terms, such activities were well beyond its original mandate. The splintering of yet the EBRD "wanted to have a like any prudent banker, they dis-full financial year's worth of results burse money only against actual tively rendered that mandate obsothe Soviet Union, however, effec-

expenditures. By the bank's rules, in Poland to a series of six funds to look at before they were sure it

TIRIAC: Romanian Tennis Star Moves to Center Court in EBRD Annals Jacques Attali, 18 months ago, and it opens doors at other banks also.

if people are asked to name the famous things to come out of Romania in the last hundred years," said Matthew Holt of the merchant. banking firm Morgan Grenfell, advisers to the Tiriac Bank, "it is Tiriac, Ilie Nastase and Nadia Co-

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his name for the bank's early success, for the crowd of 6,000 people waiting outside its doors on opening day. "I had to use my name, since people in Romania identify with me as one of the few Roma-nians who made it on the outside,"

He is now clearly intent on mak- \$125 million. ing it on the inside as well, with his-

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Mr. Tiriac also credits the use of position as the sole agent for Mer-is name for the bank's early succedes Benz in Romania and with a investment by the EBRD will give a large stake in a freight-handling business at Bucharest's airport. The Tiriac Bank is the empire's linchpin, however. It now has four branches and plans to open as many as 16 more this year. Its assets at the end of last year stood at

But, as useful as it is to be fon

huge boost to the bank's standing in dealing with foreign financial institutions. "There is a general lack of awareness and enthusiasm for Romania," he said. "A wellknown international bank like the EBRD provides them with credibil-

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be held at its registered office in Luxembourg, 14, rue Aldringen, on April 30, 1993 at 14.00 o'clock for the purpose ering and voting upon the following matters:

L. To hear and accept:

b) the report of the Auditor To approve the statement of net assets and the statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 1992.

To discharge the Directors and the Auditor with respect in their performance of duties the year ended December 31.

4.) To elect the Directors to serve until the next annual general meeting of shareholders.

meeting of shareholders. 6. Any other business.

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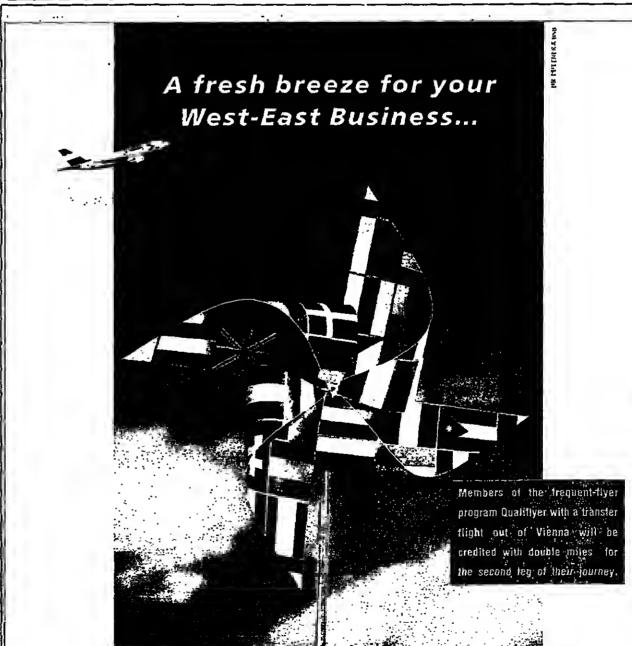
a) the management report of the Directors

5. To elect the Auditor to serve until the next annual general

The shareholders are advised that no quorum for the statutory general meeting is required and that decisions will be taken at the majority of the shares present or represented at the meeting res present or represented at the meeting.

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Looking for Room to List in Tokyo 2 Huge Privatizations May Elbow Out Aspiring Issues

TOKYO - Tokyo stocks are up 20 percent so far this year, and that has Japanese companies panting over the prospect of quickly getting listed and raising money in Japan's resurgent equity market.

The trouble is, Japan's financial hureau-

crais have the same idea. After years of delay, the Japanese government this fall will my to raise up to 900 billion yen (\$8.1 billion) by selling stock in the state-owned East Japan Railway Co., popularly known as JR East, and the nation's cigarette monopoly, Japan Tobacco_

These two giant stock offerings represent the higgest privatization effort since Japan took the telecommunications colossus Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. public in 1987, when both the economy and stock market were moving at high speed.

Six years later, however, Japan's economy is in a funk. And these two major stock offerings could elbow out the long line of Japanese companies that have patiently sat our Tokyo's painful three-year bear market. There will be no burst of new listings

following hig-name stock issues such as JR East because they will soak up so much mon-ey it will temporarily paralyze the market," said Takayuki Hayashi, an official in Yamaichi Securities' new stock listings division.

There is certainly plenty of pent-up de-mand from the dry spell in the Tokyo stock

market. "I would say there were still roughly 200 to 300 companies currently on the waiting list," said an executive at Nikko Securi-

ties, who declined to be named. Sioce 1990. Tokyo's major brokerage houses have abided by a self-imposed limit of about ooe new listing a week at the Tokyo Stock Exchange and in the over-the-counter market. During the slump, there was insufficient volume or investor interest to merit new

That is now changing. "We plan to gradually increase issues according to the market situation, said Shuji Yonehana with Nomura Securities' capital-markets division. Yamaichi is also considering increasing the pace of its new offerings to about three a week.

However, those plans could be put on hold, if the public offerings of JR East and Japan Tobacco soak up too much money from in-

And the government has compelling reasons to go ahead with its privatization push, regardless of the impact on companies eager

The Ministry of Finance is in the process of steering 2.6 trillion yen in public savings funds into Tokyo stocks as part of its 13.2 trillion yen economic-stimulus plan. It hopes a pumped-up stock market will improve Japan's business climate and consumer sentiment, both of which would give Japan's wobbly economy a timely kick.

owned tobacco concern dovetails nicely with pump-priming package because it could help encourage the return of more individual investors, who are now creeping back into the

About five years ago, the holdings of individual investors represented about 15 to 16 percent of total equity investment. Now, they are only 8 percent. If more individual investors came back, they could play a hig role in the long-term rebound of Tokyo stocks.

For every 1 percent increase in their total equity investment, an additional 10 trillion yen comes into the market, according to Jason James, a strategist at James Capel.

Both issues will certainly get a once-over from big and small investors alike. JR East has plenty of debt, but it also enjoys the steady earnings stream of a utility. For millions of commuters in Tokyo and the other major cities in eastern Japan, JR is the only sensible way to get to work, thanks to Japan's legendary traffic jams.

Japan Tobacco enjoys monopoly control over the domestic production of cigarettes and boasts an 83 percent market share, with foreign brands making up the balance.

The government's two big stock offerings, along with the coming wave of new listings, could be good news for Japan's ailing securi-ties industry. Brokers will be eager to list as many as possible." Mr. James said.

Malaysia Visa Rules **Hurt Asian Carriers**

KUALA' LUMPUR - Tough

new visa rules aimed at preventing tourists from working in Malaysia have hurt the flag-carrier airlines of India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Bangladesh, halving passenger loads, in-dustry officials said Wednesday.

Air India, Air Lanka, Pakistan International Airlines and Bangla-desh's Biman Airlines have asked Malaysia's tourism ministry to review the rules, which came into effect at the start of the year.

Under the rules, Malaysians must sponsor tourists from the four countries and take responsibility for their departure.

"Our passenger load has been affected very seriously hy the visa ruling," said S.V.B. Rao, Air India's manager in Kuala Lumpur.

Mr. Rao said Air India, which has been operating in Malaysia for 25 years and flies three times weekly to Kuala Lumpur, had to scrap its third flight when the visa ruling took its toll on passenger loads.

"Currently, we are only able to fill half of the 205 seats on each flight, making it very uneconomi-cal," Mr. Rao said. "We do not know for how long we will be able to continue with these flights under

Mr. Rao said that apart from the difficulty visiting Indians faced in getting local sponsors, the procedure also took up to three months for clearance. These two factors are seemingly deterring Indians from coming to Malaysia as fre-quently, he said.

Immigration officials said the ruling was introduced to ensure that only genime tourists from the four countries came into Malaysia.

More than 300,000 illegal immigrants - mostly indonesians but including Pakistanis, Indians, Bangladeshis and Sri Lankans were granted amnesty by the gov-crament last year and allowed to work in the plantation and construction sectors. Another 224,000 foreigners who

did not register under the amnesty exercise are at large in Malaysia. The new visa ruling is only

expected to dampen further our passenger loads," said the manager of Pakistan International Airlines. A.R. Syed. "We hope the Malaysian government will revise the regulation to ensure the success of its Visit Malaysia Year event in 1994.

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Very briefly:

• Kawasaki Steel Corp., revising its five-year plan, said it would trim 3.200 jobs and cut capital spending almost in half, to 45 billion yen (\$404.9 million), as it seeks to offset the effects of the yen's surge.

 Japan Airlines Co., citing falling passenger volume, will not hire any additional stewardesses in the year starting in April 1994. JAL said hiring would be limited to about 100 pilots in the year.

 Sony Corp. said it would start selling the world's first high-definition television laser-disk player next month for 600,000 yen (\$5,400), aiming it at the home-video market in Japan.

 China now has more than 1 million privately owned motor vehicles, the People's Daily said, up from practically zero in 1978 and 285,000 in 1985. · Old Electric Industry Co. will invest £3.7 million (\$5.7 million) to produce electronic components for use in car engines and transmissions at its Oki (U.K.) Ltd. plans in Cumbernauld. Scotland, an Oki spokeswoman said. The subsidiary now makes office printers.

Thalland's cabinet approved a \$3.2 hillion plan to start building Bangkok's second airport in the southeastern suburb of Nong Ngu Hao. · Toyota Motor Corp.'s first car made in Pakistan will roll off the assembly line Thursday at the Indus Motor Co. plant in Karachi...

Despite Banking Gloom, Sanwa Has High Hopes

sion on Good Government and one of the new

Asked what the second stage would be, Mr.

Mr. Guaigundo previously had said that

PLDT's subscribers, who technically owo about 80 percent of the telephone company but have no

voting rights, would eventually get such rights. Separately, the government also took majority

control of the 15-member board of San Miguel

(Rewers, AFP)

Gunigundo replied that "we have to assess the

situation the moment we are on the board."

government representatives.

TOKYO - Amid the gloom of ipanese banks, which are laden ith bad property loans, Sanwa ank is dreaming of becoming the

est in Japan and the world. People say there are six or seven ig banks in Japan now but that in iture there will be only two or ree," said Taizo Farumatsu, depty general manager of corporate

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

control Wednesday of the nation's largest telecom-munications company in what one official said was

the first stage of breaking the company's decades-

At the annual stockholders meeting of Philip-

pine Long Distance Telephone Co., six govern-

ment representatives were elected to the 11-mem-

ber board of directors, giving the government

"I think this is the first stage of the demonopoli-

zation program of the government," said Magiang-

MANILA - The Philippioe government took

ready Japan's fourth-biggest bank in terms of assets.

"We would like to be one of them," he said. "When we finish disposing of the aftermath of the bubble economy within five or six years, we would like to bring return on assets to the level of Deutsche

tional players."

Manila Takes Control of PLDT

rent profit of 150 billion yen t\$1.36 banks, thanks to low operating billion) in the year ended March costs. 31, the highest of any of Japan's While some other big banks are 151 hanks, said Katsubito Sasa-closing branches and cutting staff jima, analyst at Nikko Research at home, Sanwa is expanding.

Center Ltd. its return on assets, calculated by dividing operating profit by total assets, was an annualized 0.73 ional players."

percent for the six months to Sept.
30, 1992. That is the second-highest
of Japan's || big commercial

said. He was referring to Tokyo and its three surrounding prefec-Sanwa's fiercest rival, Sumitomo Bank Ltd., has decided to freeze opening new outlets in Japan for

> successfully started opening nnmanned outlets with only cash dispensers and automatic teller machines six years ago.

"We plan to steadily increase the

number of offices by 25 to 30 in the

main metropolitan area" over the

next three years, Mr. Furumatsu

As a result of this expansion, it Japanese bank, with 1,000 outlets.

Sanwa's home base is Osaka, in Western Japan, where it was room to improve market share in lyst said.

the main metropolitan area," Mr. Furumatsu said. Overseas, Sanwa will expand in

Asian markets over the next several

years but will streamline European and U.S. operations. That is the same strategy taken by its local rivals, Mr. Furumatsu said. The Achilles heel of Sanwa, as of other Japanese banks, is problem loans left over from the so-called

hubble economy. But Mr. Furumatsu said his bank was suffering less than its rivals. But some analysis expressed concern about Sanwa's involve-

To penetrate this area, Sanwa ment to financially troubled Nippoo Housing Loan Co., whose outstanding loans are estimated at 2.2 trillion yen, of which about half are believed to be nonperforming. Sanwa, which joined with eight

has the largest retail octwork of any other hanks to found Nippon Housing, must forgo interest on 648 of them unmanned. Next loans totaling some 250 billion yen comes Sakura Bank LId's 980 of- entirely over the next 10 years, they fices, 384 of which are unmanned. said, "Sanwa may have to bear a bigger share of the burden as a main bank of Nippon Housing in formed in a merger of three local future if Nippon Housing's current banks in 1933. "There is still much restructuring plan fails," one ana-

Taiwan Set To Act on Copyrights

TAIPEI - Taiwan's National Assembly on Wednesday gave preliminary approval to a copyright agreement with the United States, in an effort to avert possible U.S. trade

The legislature's domestic and foreign affairs committees passed a first reading of the accord. The full legislature is expected to approve the accord this week.

The United States is to decide at the end of April whether to place Taiwan on a list of nations practicing unfair trade, a step that could subject it to sanctions under Section 301 of U.S. trade law.

Industry groups in the United States accuse Taiwan of beiog one of the worst violators of intellectual-property rights.

New Zealand Revises Bid Law

up its takeover law to put a stop to law in Australia. es and to ensure that minority

shareholders are fairly treated. The basis of the draft takeover code is a rule preventing any per-son from becoming the holder or cootroller of more than 20 percent of a company's voting rights unless an offer is made to all shareholders

under the same terms.

A takeover panel would adminis-WELLINGTON - New Zea- ter the code, which has borrowed land moved Wednesday to tighten much from equivalent securities

The 20 percent provision re-moves the ability of the holders of large "strategic" stakes in a company to command a premium for their shares from a bidder.

Under the code, an investor wanting to acquire more than 20 percent of a company must buy at

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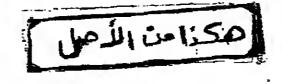
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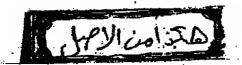
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SPORTS BASE

Relief Remains a Season Away For A's Pitching Star Eckersley

The Associated Press After all these years as the most forninant relief pitcher in major

eague basebatt history, has Dennis Eckersley lost it? He blew another save chance Tuesday night in Oakland, al-hough this time the Athletics sounced back and beat the New

York Yankees, 9-7, in t0 innings. Eckersley, last season's most aluable player in the American League and its Cy Young winner. ias blown consecutive save opporunities for the first time in his rareer. He has a 7.94 earned-run

iverage after five games. "This is a test, I guess," he said. 'I don't know what's happening. Fonight, I got ahead of the hatters. but I couldn't put them away. I got wo strikes on them, and then I gouldn't decide to paint the plate or ry to punch a guy out."

Last year, be was successful on

The Associated Press

It was two minutes past mid-

light and John Kruk wanted to go

. We were out there long enough,

and with a 3-and-0 count and two

ing, I figured there was no use

intung a single." he said.

1 So, when Kruk got what he was tooking for from San Diego reliever

teremy Hernandez in the 14th in-

hing Tuesday night, he ended a 4-

nour, 27-minute game with a home num that gave Philadelphia a 4-3

His fifth homer gave him the eague lead and the Phillies their

NL ROUNDUP

10th victory in 13 games, two games on top in the National

Hernandez, the sixth San Diego

siecher, struck out the first two

patters before Kruk's shot into the

right-center-field seats sent the

remnants of a crowd of 21,074 hap-

! Phillies starter Tommy Greene

struck out nine and walked two

before being replaced by Mark Da-

is in the eighth. Greene held San

Diego's big three of Gary Sheffield. Lony Gwynn and Fred McGriff

Mitch Williams entered the

game in the ninth to protect a 3-2

cad, looking for his sixth save. But

Sheffield led off with a single, moved to second on Williams's

wild pickoff attempt and scored the

tying run on McGriff's single.
Giants 4, Mets 1: Barry Bonds

hit a two-run homer as the Giants

scored three runs in the 11th at

: Darren Lewis opened the inning

with a triple off Mike Maddux.

Will Clark singled to break a 1-1

tie, and one out later Bonds ho-

mered over the center-field fence, his fourth this season.

The Mets' Sid Fernandez had a

National League season-high 14

sirikeouts while limiting the Giants

to three hits over eight innings.

éague East.

oily home.

Shea Stadium.

ictory over the visiting Padres.

This year, he's made good on only two of four opportunities.

The Yankees rallied for five runs in the ninth, the last three against Eckersley, for a 7-6 lead. But the home team's bullpen couldn't hold an edge, either, as Steve Farr gave

AL ROUNDUP

up the tying run in the ninth on a single by Ruben Sierra and a douhle hy Kevin Seitzer. In the 10th, Rickey Henderson

hit a two-run homer to win it in

The A's took a 6-2 lead into the ninth, hut Danny Tartabull drew a leadoff walk from Edwin Nunez and Randy Velarde homered off

Rick Honevcutt. But Dion James singled and Ke-vin Maas followed with an RBI 11 of 54 saves tries and didn't blow double that made it 6-5. Spike

Kruk's Homer in 14th

up a pitcher's duel in Detroit.

key ran his scoreless inning streak David Wells worked seven into 14% innings before issuing a nings and gave up three hits, in-cluding Dean Palmer's sixth home leadoff walk in the seventh to Craig Biggio, who later scored on Jeff run. Mike Henneman struck out Bagweil's double-play grounder. Cardinals 5, Rockies 0; Rockie Jose Canseco and Juan Gonzalez in

Nolan Ryan's place in the rotation, Bichette's line drive broke his left gave up two hits in 619 innings.

Arocha has allowed four runs in 212 innings for a 1.66 ERA. Another Cardinal, Gregg Jefferies, strained his left wrist making an awkward slide into home plate. His status is day-to-day. Reds 5, Pirates 0: Tim Belcher

pitched a three-hitter and Barry Larkin continued his assault on slumping Pittsburgh with three hits and two RBIs. Belcher beld the Pirates to three

singles after allowing 14 hits and 10 earned runs over eight innings in his first two starts. He struck out nine and walked one, improving his career record against Pittsburgh to

Tolorado to five hits before Dante

Larkin, who left the game at Riverfront Stadium in the seventh inning with a hruised thumb, also scored from second base on a passed ball as the Reds handed the Pirates a fourth straight loss.

Braves 5, Markus 4: Greg Maddux, who helped himself with an RBI single, took a 5-1 lead into the ninth, hut Benito Santiago followed a leadoff double by Orestes Destrade with the first homer by a Marlin at Joe Robbie Stadium. Then Alex Arias hit his first career Roya homer to finish Maddux. Mike year.

Stanton came on for his sixth save. Expos 7, Dodgers 3: Rookie Mike Lansing tied a club record with three doubles, and drove in four runs for Montreal, playing at home. Lansing is hitting .418 with three homers and 14 RBIs for the

his second chance until Aug. 25. Owen sacrificed, Jim Leyritz was hit by a pitch and Bernie Williams hit a two-run double.

"I made a bad pitch to Maas and to Williams. And I drilled Leyritz. My God, I can't remember the last time I drilled a guy." Eckersley said. Goose Gossage pitched a perfect 10th for his first victory since 1991.

while with Texas.

Red Sox 5, Mariners 2: Roger Clemens, pitching for the first time since having moles surgically removed from his face and chest, held host Seattle to three singles in 64) innings as Boston improved to 1t-3, its best start since going 21-3 to begin 1946.

Clemens gave up one run and has a 1.48 ERA after four starts. He had not worked out since last week's surgery on the moles, which were benign, he said.

John Valentin hit a solo homer in the seventh for a 2-1 lead and Mike Greenwell hit a two-run homer in

Tigers 3, Rangers 1: Pinch hitter Lou Whitaker doubled in the goahead run in the seventh, breaking Gives Phils 10th Victory

Detroit began the day leading the majors in scoring with 92 runs in 12 games and Texas was tops with 17 home runs in 11 games. Cubs 2, Astros 1: Dwight Smith got three hits and scored both runs But, with the wind blowing in, the for host Chicago while Mike Harteams combined for only nine hits.

the ninth and got his third save. right-hander Rene Arocha held Kenny Rogers, taking injured

ring finger in the sixth inning in St. White Sox 2, Orioles 1: Frank The Cardinals said the injury Thomas's sacrifice fly in the 14th may require surgery. In three starts, gave Chicago its victory in Balti-

> Thomas, 37 for 94 (.394) with 10 home runs and 28 RBIs in 24 career games against the Orioles, won the game after Joey Cora drew a leadoff walk from Alan Mills, moved up on a passed ball and advanced on Lance Johnson's single.

Wilson Alvarez and three relievers held the Orioles to one hit the last eight innings. Donn Pall struck out the side in the 14th as Chicago ended a three-game losing streak.

Angels 7. Indians 2: Rookies Tim Salmon and J.T. Snow homered as California beat visiting Cleveland.

Cleveland's Albert Belle ran his hitting streak to a career-high 13

Twins 10. Brewers 0: Dave Winfield hit a three-run homer in the first inning as Minnesota romped past Milwaukce at the Metrodome.

Royals 8, Blue Jays 2: Kevin Appier pitched a three-hitter against visting Toronto as Kansas City posted its first two-game winning streak of the season.

Appier struck out eight in the Royals' first complete game this

Felix Jose, batting leadoff for the second straight game, and Chris Gwynn, newly inserted in the cleanup spot, each bad three of Kansas City's 16 hits. Jose doubled in each of the first two innings and scored both times on singles hy Gwynn.



A happy crew arrives home: from the left, Olivier Despaigne, Jacques Vincent, Cameron Lewis, skipper Bruno Peyron and Marc Vallin aboard the Commodore Explorer.

The Heroes' Novel Ending Is Only the Beginning

By Christopher Clarey International Herald Tribune

LA BAULE, France - If Prince Rainier of Monaco was searching for solitude he picked the wrong week to vacation in this seaside

resort in Britany.

By early Wednesday evening, when Bruno Peyron's well-traveled catamaran made its appearance in the narrow harbor separating La Baule from Peyron's natal village, Le Pouliguen was awash with people, ranging from the curious to newspaper reporters and the television media with their cameras and on to enthusiastic supporters.

"I think Jules Verne would be highly delighted," said New Zealander Peter Blake, who, like Peyron, set out on Jan. 31 to better the fictional exploit of the French author's Phileas Fogg. But while Blake's catamaran,

Enza, struck an object in the ocean 26 days into its journey and had to only muddled through its misadventures, on Tuesday night it made yachting, if not quite literary histo-

Association playoffs have become

Atlanta jumped into a tie with

Orlando is No. 9 after beating

Washington, and Detroit became

All five teams have three games left, with this much certain:

clinch a playoff spot with two vic-

tories. The Hawks would seem to

have the easier schedule, with a

home game against Milwaukee and

Atlanta and Charlotte will each

No. 10 by losing in Cleveland.

idle Charlotte for the sixth spot

with a victory Tuesday night over Indiana, which is now eighth.

a little more clear.

ry, by completing its round-the-world journey, officially, in 79 days, 6 hours, 15 minutes and 56

It tonk nearly 24 hours more for Peyron and his four crewmen to set foot on land in La Baule. It might have taken longer still if, ironically, their boat hadn't been towed most of the way south from the finish line in the English Channel after the winds that had lent it wings for

days dropped into a calm.
"It's good to be alive" said American Cameron Lewis, the only non-French crew member. "This was the most exciting moment of my life. I don't know if we climbed the Mount Everest of the ocean. but we weren't far off."

The previous record for sailing around the world was 109 days, 8 bours. It was established in 1990 by Titouan Lamazou of France in a monohull. But from almost the start of Commodore Explorer's turn back, Peyron's 86-foot (26- voyage it was clear the high-tech meter) Commodore Explorer not .catamaran was capable of speeds that would obliterate the record.

Lewis, a member of Dennis Conner's 1988 America's Cup crew, and the designated cook of this voyage, recalled the first major storm the Commodore Explorer

encountered, just before rounding the Cape of Good Hope. "We were doing about 28 knots and the boat just stopped cold, pirouetted and turned on its hull," he said. "We were flying all over the place, and there was not grease everywhere in the kitchen. We were so close to capsizing, as close as any of us had ever come on a boat that size. For the rest of the day we were going up waves the size of build-

ings. I've skied on smaller hills." The most difficult period came in late March, when the crew had to weather a major storm off Cape Hora.

"I don't think any of us will ever forget the force and power of the sonthern ocean," Peyron said.

There would be no more tempests, but there were would be two more collisions north of the equator: the first with two sperm whales on April 11; the second with a log on April 16. The whales left behind

Hawks 111, Pacers 102: Atlanta.

at home, ended a three-game skid

with a 23-4 fourth quarter run start-

ed by Steve Henson's 3-pointer.
Magic 105, Bullets 86: Shaquille
O'Neal had 20 points and 25 rebounds — his second straight 20-20

game - and Nick Anderson scored

Cavallers 105, Pistons 81: Larry

Nance made nine of 11 shots from

the field and got 19 points in Cleve-land. The loss was Detroit's third

Knicks 109, Heat 97: In Miami,

Charles Smith scored a season-high

30 against visiting Washington.

an eight-foot crack in the starboard hull that was quickly repaired by Olivier Despaignes, 48, the oldest man aboard. The log did no dam-age, except to Peyron's conscience. The Atlantie is a garbage

something floating in the water. I'm sad for our children." But there was no wistfulness on Wednesday, as the catamaran arrived home to a rousing welcome. "Amazing," said crew member Marc Vallin, "Yesterday we were five. Today, we are 100,000."

dump," he said in a telex. "We can

not go half an bour without seeing

That might have been exaggerating the size of the crowd, but it was difficult to exaggerate the media's interest, especially that of the French journalists.

It was an interest, too, that belped alleviate some of the financial pressure on Peyron.

When he shoved off in January, modifications to the Commodore Explorer, which was built in 1987. and the other financing of the venture had left him in a 2.5-millionfranc (\$1.6-million) trough - deep enough to make him debate wheth-

filled game.
Bulls 123, 76ers 94: In Chicago,

Knicks in the race for the best con-

ference record, with the teams

meeting Sunday in the season finale.

and sank three 3-pointers in a 24-3

run at the start of the second half as

Chicago clinched first place in the

Kings 101, Jazz 92: Lionel Sim-

mons scored 24 points as host Sac-

visiting Golden State to clinched

rament won its third straight.

first round of the playoffs.

Michael Jordan scored 28 points

Detroit, which finishes against 36 points for New York in a foul-

er to stop in New Zealand after the boat was storm damaged. But last week, French public television reportedly paid him more than 1.5 million francs for broadcast rights to the finish.

The French have a difficult-toslake to thirst when it comes to man-made exploits on the high seas. Eric Tabarly started the trend hy winning a trans-Atlantic race in 1964. Florence Arthaud continued it in 1990, when she won the Route du Rhum race, later becoming the most popular sports figure in the country.

"We have something in our na-tional character which makes us crave adventure," said Michele Horeau, Peyron's spokesman.

Peyron, 37, and his family fit neatly into the continuum. Peyron's younger brother, Loick, finished second to Lamazou in a nonstop, solo, 'round the world race in 1990. He also won last year's prestigious Transat Anglaise race. Pevr-on's youngest brother, Stephane. windsurfed across the Atlantic several years ago.

Loick Peyron was already talking Wednesday about going after his brother's record. And he was not alone. Lamazou will leave early next year in a buge monohult. MARD

Arthaud wants to try it in a trima-"I believe 70 days is in the cards with a boat designed specifically for the purpose." Blake said.

But 70 days will not have the same resonance as 80. "Nobody has ever done anything like this before on the sea," Lewis, who will be married in May, with Peyron as his best man. "It made us feel like we were part of

the world of discovery, like Magel-

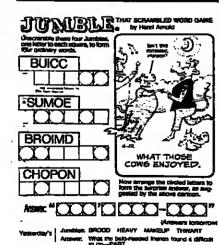
lan and Cook." Peyron has no desire to let go of that feeling. His next project, fi-nances willing, is to build a 40-Trail Blazers 115, Warriors 99: meter catamaran capable of retracing the former trading routes of the Portland, behind 28 points and six

elipper ships.
This record is only the begin-3-pointers from Terry Porter, beat the homecourt advantage for the ning of a very personal dream, Peyron said.

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CALVIN AND HOBBES SMELL IT SPOILED

East's Race: Hawks and Hornets Have an Edge

and Chicago before ending the sea-son at Milwaukee. two losses, although even one loss the Bull probably would finish the Pistons. Knicks

The Associated Press a road game at Washington before Detroit, which finishes against 36 points for the race for the Eastern Conferture the season finale at Orlando. The Chicago, Indiana and New Jersey, filled game.

ence's sixth, seventh and eighth spots in the National Basketball and Chicago before ending the sea-

Indiana would clinch a spot by finishing 3-0, but the Pacers must

NBA HIGHLIGHTS

play Cleveland before finishing

against Detroit and Miami. If Indi-

ana finished 2-1 and Orlando won

its final three, the NBA's third tie-

breaker - a team's record against

playoff learns in the conference -

would decide which team got the

Orlando has road games at Bos-

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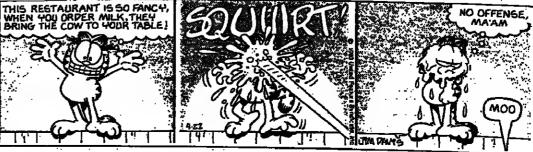


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Playoff Lead

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

Though the Pittsburgh Penguins bave shown no mercy against New Jersey, forward Dave Tippett has some sympathy for the Devils.
He knows what it's like to face Mario Lemieux

and the two-time Stanley Cup champions.

"It's a good feeling to be with them this season instead of chasing them around," said Tippert, whose Penguins drubbed the Devils, 7-0. Tuesday night.

With a four-goal second period and Tom Barrasso's flewiess goaltending, the Penguins

STANLEY CUP

craised to their National Hockey League-record 13th straight playoff victory and a 2-0 lead in the Patrick Division semifinal.

Barrasso stopped 36 shots and collected two assists en route to his third career shutout for Pittsburgh, which broke the Edmonton Oilers' mark for playoff victories, set in 1984-85. Tippett was in Washington last season when

the Capitals blew a 3-1 series lead against the Penguins. To a man, the Capitals credited Lemicux with single-handedly turning the series in Pittsburgh's favor.

The Devils' task is no different: Stop Lemieux or go home. Tuesday night, they limited the game's best

player to one goal — although it came while the Devils had a power play — after he had collect-ed four points in Pitusburgh's 6-3 series-opening victory on Sunday. But Barrasso held the Devils scoreless, and

the rest of Pittsburgh's stars stomped all over New Jersey's end of the ice. "It's very difficult to shadow someone --

especially with the system we use in Pitts-burgh," said Lemieux, who has primarily drawn coverage from New Jersey's Dave Barr over the first two games. "If someone's following me around, our defense just moves up and fills that lane. It's worked for us all season."

Rookie Shawn McEachern scored twice and Ron Francis collected four assists to help extend the Penguins' unbeaten string to 20 games. They opened their bid for a third straight championship riding a 17-0-1 unbeaten streak.
Sabres 4. Bruins 0: In Boston, Grant Fuhr

made 34 saves en route to his third playoff shutout — the other two were with the Edmonton Oilers — which gave the underdog Sabres a 2-0 lead in their Adams Division semifinal.

Alexander Mogilny, Randy Wood, Wayne Presley and Dale Hawerchuck all scored for Bullalo, which oever has won a playoff series against Boston.

Islanders 5, Capitals 4: Brian Mullen scored
14:50 into the second overtime period, evening

Penguins Drub Marseille to Meet AC Milan in Champions' Final Devils for 2-0



Germany's Stefan Ustorf, center, and France's Denis Perez exchanged blows during the fighting after their teams' game.

New York's Patrick Division semifinal against

host Washington at one game each. Mullen's shot was stopped by Rick Tabarci, but the puck trickled into the net when the

Washington goaltender was jostled by the Islanders' center, Ray Ferraro. Pierre Turgeon scored twice for the Islanders, who fired 61 shots at Tabaracci. Dale Hunter got a hat trick for Washington and has

five goals in two playoff games.

It was the fifth overtime playoff game between the teams, including the memorable four-overtime thriller in 1987 won by New York, 3-2.

on Pat LaFontaine's shot. Nordiques 4, Canadiens 1: 10 Quebec, Scott

Young scored twice during the home team's three-goal first period and Claude LaPointe added a goal and two assists to give the Nordi-ques a 2-0 edge in their Adams-Division series against provincial rival Montreal. The Canadiens had a goal disallowed at

16:00 of the second when a video replay indicated that Quebec goalie Ron Hextall - and the puck - had been illegally pushed over the

◆ Toronto said rookie right wing Nikolai Borschevsky, who scored 34 goals during the regular season, will be sidelined for 7 to 10 days after breaking a booe below his right eye in the first playoff game against Detroit. (UPI, AP)

Rangers Are Held to Scoreless Draw

BRUGES. Betgium - Olympique Marseille won a high-tensioo soccer match against FC Bruges, I-0, on Wednesday to secure a place in the final of the European Cham-

pions' Cup against AC Milan.

Alen Boksic scored Marseille's only goal in the second minute of the game, and that was enough to win the title in Group A to reach the final, on May 26 at Munich. Milan, which had already quali-fied for the final from Group B, defeated PSV Eindhoven of the

Netherlands, 2-0. Marseille, which was beaten in a penalty shoot-out in the 1991 Champions Cup final by Red Star Belgrade, won Group A with nine points from six games (three vic-tories and three draws). Bruges finished third with five points.

Boksic, a 23-year-old Croauan striker, was often well placed to deliver an insurance goal, twice hitting the post in the second half, but the Belgians fought back aggressively to leave a doubt about the

result until the final whistle.
The striker had his first scoring opportunity after just 50 seconds. when a header from a free kick on the right went inches wide. After 90 seconds, Rudi Voller

stepped on a ball by mistake but Marseille kept possession and the Bruges defense opened up for Boksic to run through and slide the ball in from about five meters (15 feet). Bruges often left its defense exposed as they chased an equalizer. but the French club was seldom

the Bruges goal. There were two long stoppages in the first period. The most serious involved the Bruges defender Dominique Vanmaele who suffered a deep cut on his nose from a

able to threaten Dany Verlinden in

blow by an opponent's elbow.

Glasgow Rangers 0, CSKA Moseow 0: In Glasgow, the Rangers had a chance to go to the final from Group A, but missed a series of

openings.
Ally McCoist, last season's top scorer in Europe and with 52 goals this season, missed the target three times and had a header saved

the expanded six-team field.

The Rangers almost went ahead

basketball teams have been lovited to compete in the

1993 McDonald's Open in Munich, FIBA and the

The Phoenix Suns, the team with the best record in

four consecutive German league championships, and Brazilian League champion All Star/Franca.

Bomb Kills Football Players

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — A starting linebacker for Washington State, Buddy Waldron, was killed and

a reserve linebacker. Payam Saadat, lost his left hand when an explosive device detonated inside their mov-

Police Chief Ted Weatherly said investigators be

lieve the two accidentally set off the device. It was not

known why the device was in the vehicle, he said.

ing utility vehicle, authorities said Wednesday.

David Robertson's long throw in from the left surprised the CSKA defense and Richard Gough was allowed a free header from close range only to aim it straight at goalie Yevgeni Plotnikov.

Two more chances fell to McCoist in the space of 60 seconds from crosses by midfielder Pieter Huistra, Huistra floated over a center from the left and McCoist flashed a header across the face of the goal. A minute later, the Dutchman neatly turned past a defender and sent in another center that McCoist headed too high from

close range. The Russians repeatedly sliced through the Rangers midfield to create danger to the home defense. But they were guilty of over-elaborate play when they reached the Rangers area and goalie Andy

Goram was rarely troubled. Glasgow ended up second in Group A with eight points (two victories and four draws), and

Moscow was last with two points.

AC Milan 2, PSV Eindhoven 0: In Milan, striker Marco Simone scored two first-half goals before limping out with a pulled muscle. Milan, resting eight players who

feared missing the final through suspension, finished the round with 12 points and victories in all six games. PSV Eindhoven finished last in Group B with one point. Simone opened the scoring in the fifth minute with a perfect header

on a cross from defender Carlo Gambaro, which caught the Dutch defense wide open. He made it two 13 minutes later with a diagonal shot on a perfect pass from Zvonimir Boban. Simone was replaced by Daniele

Massaro in the 33d minute when he pulled his right thigh on a rough tackle by Gica Popescu, FC Porto 2, IFK Gothenburg 0:

In Oporto, Portugal, in a game marked by superb defense and missed opportunities, striker Jose Carlos Nascimeoto's beader slipped past Swedisb keeper Thomas Ravelli in the 42d minute to

open the scoring.
Porto was quick to add to its lead

vantage of a lucky rebound off the shoulder of striker Jaime Magalhaes to fire in a goal in the 56th

Both goalkeepers excelled against blistering offensive efforts. Ravelli stopped 15 shots from Porto and Vitor Baia stopped 13 Swed-

IFK Gothenburg finished in sec-ond place in Group B with six points and FC Porto finished third (AFP. AP. Renders) with five.

■ 'Supercup' Plans Opposed UEFA President Lennart Jo-hansson's plan to combine the European Champions' Cup and the UEFA Cup tournaments into a new. 128-club competition has run. into opposition, particularly among the major soccer powers, The Associated Press reported

from Bern, Switzerland. Johansson appeared to back off his idea, proposed last month, after UEFA's ruling executive committee discussed it formally for the.

first time Wednesday.

The "Supercup" would allow more top clubs to compete for European soccer's biggest prize, instead of only the national league champions that currently fight for Champions Cup. The less prestigious UEFA Cup would disappear, But Antonio Matarrese, head of

the powerful Italian federation and a UEFA vice president, said his country. France and Germany rejected the proposal because it would interfere with national

The committee will discuss the plan again on Thursday. It may order further study of the project by a special working group sel uplast month,

"One thing is clear," Johansson said Wednesday, "everyone is not in agreement with my proposal."

• AC Milan's French striker, Jean Pierre Papin, who injured a muscle in his right calf in training. last Friday, will be sidelined 30 to 40 days, Milan doctors said Wednesday, jeapordizing his chances for the Champions' Cup. title match May 26 in Munich.

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continued that suit. South threw a dummy. heart from the dummy, won with the king, and tried to draw trumps nis playing, but it clearly does not slow down bridge players.

An example is Hugh Montague of North Babylon, Long Island, who received a new heart three and by cashing the ace and the king. a half years ago and is just as active in each suit.

Having the courage of his con-victions. Montague now made the remarkable play of cashing the club ace and leading the six. His new heart beat a little faster as West and effective at the bridge table as he ever was. On the diagramed deal from a recent Long Island tournament he held the South cards and brought off an elegant swindle.
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The bad break was a blow, and he was now in danger of losing a trick

the queen would be disastrous if East had begun with a doubleton South did so. The profit from doubling five diamonds was likely to be So West played low, dummy won small: It would take inspired de- the trick, and all was plain sailing

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Germany Wins, and Fights Again

DORTMUND, Germany -Two goals and an assist from Dieter Hegen helped Germany beat France, 5-3, Wednesday at the World Hockey Championships in a game in which a bench-clearing brawl followed the final buzzer.

Three players from each team were suspended for one game "be-cause the lights started after the final buzzer," said a spokesman

team were assessed match penalties by the Swedish referee, Sven-Erik Sold, for taking part in the fights. The French players were Benoit Laporte, Christophe Ville and Frank Pajonkowski.
"I don't know how it started."

said France's Swedish coach. Kjell Larsson, "I'm sorry. The players were just very excited. Nobody wants to fight. It just happens

Less than 24 hours earlier. Germany's game against the Czech Republic was interrupted several times when fans threw coins and soft-drink cans onto the ice to pro-

Hegen, a veteran making his past goalie Petri Ylonen.

become the leading scorer in the tournament, with three goals and one assist in three games. In Tuesday night's games:

United States 1, Finland 1: Ed

Olezyk tipped in defenseman Erich

John David Cross who won the B match in Dortmund.

with slap shot from just inside the blue line that went between goalie Mike Richter's pads and trickled

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SIDELINES The victory gave Germany a 2-1 record and four points to put it atop the Pool B standings. McDonald's Open Expanded NEW YORK (Reuters) — European champion Limoges of France and the top German and Brazilian

Richard Amann, Stefan Ustorf NBA announced Wednesday, with two other top inand Ulrich Hiemer on the German ternational club teams to be named later to complete the NBA this season, were previously picked to represent the league at the Oct. 21-23 tournament.

Limoges, the first French club to win the European title, will be joined by Bayer Leverkusen, winner of

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test the ejection of a player.

10th start in the world championships, scored the fastest goal of the tournament, just 52 seconds into the game, as he blasted a slap shot Hegan scored again with 40 seconds left of the second period to

Weinrich's shot from the blue line early in the third period to salvage a tie for the United States in a Pool Jarkko Varvio got Finland's goal

Montana's Trade: Done Deal at Last

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Missouri — If Joe Montana's 37-year-old muscles and surgically repaired elbow hold up, the Kansas City Chiefs bave what they have sought since 1975, a quarterback capable of

leading them to the Super Bowl. Montana, who turns 37 in June, and was a lad of 13 the last time the Chiefs reached the Super Bowl, got his wish to be traded late Tuesday. The Chiefs' president. Carl Peterson, and the San Francisco, 49ers' president. Carmen Policy, finally agreed on compensation for the two-time most valuable player in the National Football League and a sure bet

Peterson refused to divulge details, but a source close to the 49ers said Montana, safety David Whitmore and a third-round draft pick in 1994 would be sent to Kansas City for the Chiefs' firstround pick, the 18th overall in Sunday's draft.

him permission to shop around, after they announced that Steve Young would be their starter. Montana reached agreement on a three-year deal

For the Record

Philippe Goitschel of France set a world speed-skiing record of 233.615 kph (145.168 mph) at Les Arcs, France, topping the 229,229 kph set by Michael Pruser of France

John David Crow, who won the Heisman Trophy playing for Bear Bryant at Texas A&M, resigned as its athletic director to go into business with Bryant's son, Paul Bryant Jr., at a greybound race track. (AP)

Svd Martin, 84, who helped train heavyweight champions Muhammad Ali, Joe Louis, George Foreman and Italy 1, Switzerland 0: Gaetano Floyd Patterson, plus Roberto Orlando scored in the second period of a Pool A game. (AP, Reuers) Hackensack, New Jersey. (AP)

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Mootana requested a trade, and the 49ers gave

with Kansas City on Saturday.

Mike Kelly, supervisor for the Spokane office of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said a "bomb workshop" was found in Saadat's apartment.

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ART BUCHWALD

Do You Believe in Golf?

WASHINGTON — I find as time goes by that the first thing people say to me is. "Do you play gol!" The question is delivered in the same voice as, "Do you

I have been trying to come up with a response so that the person who makes the

think less of me. Here are some answers you can use if you are faced with the same question: "I did until I o swan on the

fairway and it bit

off mv nose. 'No. I don't. On weekends I prefer to break into people's homes "I would, but I hate to hit a little white ball when it didn't do anything

"I don't play any sports where you have to walk on grass."

"No, because every time I ploy someone criticizes niv argyle socks." "I don't actually play the game, I go to the club because I'm crazy about the chef's cheesecake."

2 in Japan Win Sundance Awards

The Associated Press POKYO — Two young Japanese filmmakers won prizes Wednesday at the Sundance Film Festival in Tokyo, an offshoot of Robert Redford's Utah institute, which has been promoting independent films since 1980.

The weeklong festival is in its fourth year in Japan. Maketo Sate. 35, won the Grand Prix for his documentary, "Living on the River Agano," The (ilm. which took three years to make, depicts a traditional village in nonhern Japan that playing it." struggles to deal with mercury poisoning in its water among other

Naoto Yamakawa, 35, won a scholarship for a workshop in Sun-20 other young filmmakers will work with film experts to develop

"Do I play golf? Does Zöe Baird's maid have a green card?" "I used to play, until we went bankrupt and the bank took my

"I'm glad you asked that question Years ago when I could make 50foot putts without ony problem, I drave a ball straight down the fair-ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ."

"Golf? I never heard of it. Is that the game they play on horseback in Afghanistan?

"It's funny you should mention golf to me. My brother used to talk bout it all the time until I killed

"I don't play, but I love to walk on Oriental rugs in my golf shoes." "I believe that being exposed to gnifers is bad for you. When I go to o

in the nongolfing section of the "I prefer Nintendo to golf be-

auranı i always ask to be seated

cause you get more exercise." "If I played, do you think I would have time to take over all the companies of guys that do?"

"I prefer the Nintendo golf machine I can play on my TV set so I don't have to leave home." "Golf is an acquired taste, like

poison gas."

"I'd love to ploy golf but I'm ufraid of the water holes — I can't "I was banned from my club because I kicked my ball into the

hole when I thought no one was

"Golf is a Judeo-Christian sport, but nowadays even the atheists are

"If you ask me do I play golf the answer is no. If you ask me am I sorry that I don't play golf — the answer is still no. If you ask me if I'm sick and tired of baving to dance. Utah, where he and about defend myself because I don't play golf - the answer is ves. The main reason I don't play golf is because

Babik Reinhardt, Remembering Django

By Mike Zwerin

PARIS — The French post office is issuing a 4.20 franc Django Reinhardi stamp to commemorate the 40th anniversary of his death, May 16. Django is the only non-American in the pantheon of Young, Art Tatum and Dizzy Gillespie — changed the music irrevocably. He married Gypsy swing to jazz and, along with Charlie Christian. made the guitar a melodic as well as a rhythmic/harmonic instrument. He played it like a horn, and he could play fast. Guitarists today, from Eric Clapton to John Scoffeld, will tell you how much they owe Django.

The master Gypsy guitarist died of a stroke at the age of 43 while fishing not far from his home in Samois-sur-Seine, a picturesque little town near Fontainebleau. There is a blue commemoration plaque on his house. The annual Django-dedicated jazz festival will take place in Samois June 25-27, along with an exhibition of his paintings, but the hig event is on May 14 in the Tbeatre de Boulogne-Billancourt, when the second annual Django d'Or (Golden Django) trophies will be awarded to French and foreign jazzmen by the singer/guitarist Sacha Distel.

The jury consists of 100 people, more than half of them fans, not experts or academicians—fans like the film directors Louis Malle and Pierre Mondy, the actors Richard Bohringer and Jean Marais, the classical violinist lvry Gitlis and the industrialist Didier Pineau-Valencienne.

Django was born in a caravan in Belgium in 1910 and traveled throughout Europe and North Africa until his family settled in the outskirts of Paris. He learned violin, banjo and guitar and played in the bals musette from the age of 13. He cut his first record accompanying the singer Jean Sablon.

The bandleader Jack Hylton (a sort of European Paul Whiteman) hired him, but he lost the use of two fingers of his left hand when his caravan caught fire and had to learn to play all over again. He listened to the records of Duke Ellington. Joe Venuti and Louis Armstrong and practiced and practiced. In 1934, he met the violinist Stephane Grappelli (85 now and still going

Together they formed the Quintet of the Hot Club of France, a unique formation with violin, two guitars (Django's brother Joseph) and bass fiddle. A third guitar was added when Django complained to Ste-phane: "It's not fair. When you play you have two guitars behind you, I have only one," Grappelli was later to describe the quintet as "the first rock 'n' roll band in





father. But he also had problems with au-

thority in general. He does not want to talk

about it. In any case, that was decades ago.

The public expected him to play his father's music, like "Nuages" ("Clouds").

There was a lot of pressure, particularly

from other Gypsies, to maintain the tradi

tion, but he grew up with beloop and want-ed to move on. Now he plays electric

guitar, sometimes synthesized, in a style

that might be described as "New Age." He

has led his own band for 10 years, has

released three records in the past four years. They sell. He makes his living as a

azz musician, nothing to take for granted.

leave with an image of Django as de-scribed by the Belgian saxophonist Paul Candrix: "He loved shiny things. When he

was in Brussels during the war, he walked

around town wearing a cowboy hat, a red scarf with white polka dots, white shoes

and a shiny hright blue suit. Obviously, everybody stared at him, but he did not do

these things to attract attention. He was

just like a child wearing a costume. Life

was a game to him."

CROSSWORD

Before heading off into the sunset, let us

For Django Reinhardt (left), it was acoustic guitar; Babik plays "New Age" electric guitar, sometimes synthesized.

the world" and asked: "Who had three

guitars before us? It was a strong European chamber sound with no drums that swung very hard with three driving guitars. Stephane and Django were natural partners—like Dave Brubeck and Paul Desmond, or Bird and Dizzy, very different personally, but born to play music together. Stephane was careful with his money. Django was a spender. Stephane was responsible, on time, whereas if Django was playing billiards (he was good at in), the gig could wait until the game was over. Stephane spent World War II in London,

Django in occupied France. He stayed at the best hotels, ate in the best Italian restaurants (where the Axis food was). Django was seen as a crafty con man laying a double-hustle on the Nazis — a Gypsy living like a king playing jazz music, theo-retically illegal. Musicians changed the names of the songs. "St. Louis Blues" be-came "La Tristesse de St. Louis" and they called it French folklore. The Germans had

more important things to worry about. After the war, he heard a Charlie Parker record for the first time and said: "I don't

know if I can play that fast." He was never quite the same again. And he was never as comfortable with an electric guitar as with this old Maccaferri acoustic. So he sort of trailed off and died in what might cynical-

ly be described as a good career move. His son Babik - the Django d'Or prizes were his idea — was nine at the time.

Django thought Django would be ton hard
an act to follow and wanted him to play piano. "He believed it would be easier for me," says Babik, a gentle soft-spoken bear of a man now in his late 40s. "Even if you don't have talent, playing piano is a joh to make money with. You can play cocktail piano, in piano hars, accompany singers. You can eat at least."

Il didn't take. At the age of 15, Bahik picked up the guitar anyway. He played bars and restaurants around Paris with Eugene Vees, once the third guitar with the quintet, until his late teens. He accompanied the singer Jacques Verrières. Then "I stopped playing the guitar for five years."

There are several such holes in his CV. One problem was a "complex" about his

PEOPLE

Never Say Die: Wyman Marries for Third Time

Former Rolling Stone Bill Wy-man was married for the third time Former Rolling Stone Bill Wyman was married for the third time on Wednesday in Saint-Paul-de-Vence, France, Wyman, 56, married a 33-year-old American, Sazanne Accosta, amid Riviera sunshine and talk of love and babies. Wyman was recently divorced from Mandy Smith, whom he married when she was 19 after dating for six years. Smith, who was reported during the divorce proceedings to be suffering from a wasting illness, received a £580,000 (5880,000) settlement from Wyman. This is not a simple family: Wyman's son Stephen, who plans to marry Mandy's 49-year-old mother Patsy, did not attend the wedding. Stephen is the son of Wyman's first safe. Disage in hom Wyman's first safe. Disage in hom Wyman's first safe. Disage in hom Wyman's first safe. wedding. Stephen is the son of Wyman's first wife. Diana, whom Wy-man divorced in 1969. Wyman has lived near Saint-Paul-de-Vence for several years.

LaToya Jackson's husband was arrested in New York on charges of hitting her with a dining room chair. The 36-year-old singer was treated at Lenox Hill Hospital for injuries to her face, legs. arms and back. Jack Gordon, 54, was arrested at the couple's apartment and faced arraignment on assault and weapons charges.

E. Annie Prouix's first novel. "Postcards," the story of the repercussions on a family over 40 years of a 1944 killing on a Vermont farm, has been chosen as the winner of the 1993 PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction.

Thinking big: Dan Quayle was cheered as he returned to Indianapolis for the first time since leaving office. "I think the only job I'd be interested in" is the presidency, he said, but for now, "I need a little time out."

Jack Lemmon received the Film Society of Lincoln Center's 22d annual achievement award in New York. The gala featured clips from 16 of the 51 films he has made in more than four decades.

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BOOKS

LEAVING TOWN ALIVE: Confessions of an Arts Warrior

By John Frohnmayer. 384 pages. \$22.95. Houghton Mifflin. Reviewed by Jonathan Yardley

BY almost any reckoning save his own. John Frohamayer's tenure as chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts was a failure bordering on a disaster. From his appointment in 1989 until his of the presidential cynicism and resignation in 1992, Frohnmayer congressional cowardice that ruled was indecisive, timid, naive and politically inept, though he of course would have us believe otherwise. When he left office it was to a near-universal sigh of relief, if not outright celebration; the well-meaning gentleman from Oregon had been a Frohnmayer was, hy his own testi-

thoroughgoing dud, and the con-sensus was that the endowment had nowhere to go except up, though to be sure it has not yet begun moving in that direction.

The apologia pro vita sua he pre-sents herein is at best ingenuous and at worst evasive. Yet all of that having been said, it remains that Frohnmayer's memoir of his unhappy years in Washington is in other respects a valuable and even enlightening book. It presents this former Oregon lawyer's scathing and utterly convincing - account Washington during the Bush years, and it provides vivid evidence of the high price that can be exacted upon those who come to the city in hopes of serving their country.

and "hopelessly naive" in his view of the relationship between government and the arts, which he saw "as a way of embracing all Americans. bringing them together and coax-ing them to make their most profound, most sublime efforts for the betterment of all society." He thought that the chairmanship of the arts endowment "was the best job in the country" and earnestly believed that George Bush was committed not merely to pulling the NEA out of the fire into which

perfunctory support. He seems to have clung to that lamb was fed to lions, it was John At the time of his appointment Frohnmayer in the White House maver with so inept an advocate of

and on Capitol Hill. At the former mony. "unabashedly romantic" memorial but never more so than in the Bush years. Matters were no better on Capithe Mapplethorpe and Serrano controversies had thrown it hut

he found himself dealing with people who saw the arts endowment as nothing more than a dumping ground for political appointees whom they couldn't place else-where; "loyalty mattered more than ability," which has been true of administrations since time im-

tol Hill, where "avoidance of controversy took precedence over leadership," where "fact-finding, clear deliberation and respect for the rights of individuals to express dissenting ideas found few supporters" in Congress. What he neglects to take into account is that, cowwishful belief long after he knew ardly and servile though Congress that it was unjustified. If ever a most certainly can be, it was confronted in the person of Frohn-

his agency and his cause that it world, were so different from the could do whatever it cared with no Oregon legislature, the Oregon prospect of opposition in either the White House or the public.

press and the Oregon art communi-He should have stayed at home: a different galaxy." Though he The Congress, the press, the art claims that "my learning curve was

· Richard Perie, consultant and former Defense Department official, is reading Denis Healey's autobiography "Time of My Life." "Like many politicians he tells good stories, mostly to his own advantage, so it makes terrific read-ing. What is a special feature is his ability to still believe that he was right about situations where history has proved him wrong."
(Joseph Fitchett, lHT).

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going straight up," in truth he nev-er got the hang of Washington and ultimately allowed its petty squabbles to intrude in his personal life. His wife became "more and more frustrated" as his job "seemed to demand all my mental and physical resources," to the point that he feared it "could cost me not only my former life and my peace of mind but my relationship with the woman I love and perhaps my future as well.

So finally be quit. He decided to do so late in 1991 but hung on until the following spring, in the process managing nothing so much as the completion of his own humiliation. That he was a victim of callous and self-interested men is beyond question, but many of his wounds were self-inflicted. However honorable and decent he may be - he seems to be both -it remains that he was

utterly unequipped to deal with the cold, hard, mean world of political intrigue; perhaps it is true that he played some small role in keeping the arts endowment from extinction - if, that is, one believes this to be a desirable end - but he lost all of his other battles.

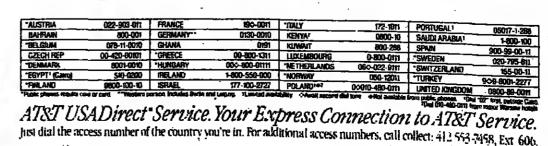
So let us wish him a happy life back home in Oregon, except that is not where he is to he found. His title, like his promise to be a "team player," is a lie. John Frohnmayer may be alive, but he has not left town. Instead he hangs on in Washington, riding its merry-go-round along with all the other former semi-eminences who find going home too much to bear. How can you keep them down on the farm, after they've seen D.C.?

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